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New records were set in Connecticut's economy in October when employment increased, unemployment was the lowest in nearly four years, factory wages were up and personal income reached an all-time high topping the $4-billion mark, according to State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Nonfarm jobs increased by 7,600 last month (page 2) to 1,449,700, the highest employment in the state since December 1981. Manufacturing employment at 406,400 reflected a monthly gain of 1,800 jobs and exceeded the October 1982 level by 400. Improvement was scattered in metallic industries and in such other categories as apparel and printing and publishing. Nonmanufacturing was up by 5,800, with varied gains, including restaurants, educational services, local and state government and general merchandise. Eleven labor market areas had increased employment which dropped in five (pages 5 & 6).

Average earnings of factory production workers set new records at $8.92 per hour and $374.64 weekly for a slightly longer workweek of 42-hours (page 3) which were $8.88, $371.18 and 41.8-hours in September. Computed on a straight-time, 40-hour week basis, hourly earnings were $8.54 or $341.60 weekly in October compared with $8.51 and $340.40 the month before, and 4.8% above last year. Workers receiving the highest weekly wage were in Ansonia, $411.94; Bridgeport, $398.56; Hartford, $396.15; Bristol, $394.48; New London/Norwich, $391.23; New Britain, $389, and Middletown, $388.74 (page 6).

Unemployment: Statewide unemployment in October was estimated at 76,400 or 4.7 percent, 2,700 below September's 79,100 and 4.9 percent rate (page 4). It was the lowest in Connecticut since November 1979. The October seasonally adjusted rate dropped two-tenths to five percent. It was 7.7 percent last year when 110,700 people were without jobs. Unemployment declined in 11 areas, increased in four and was unchanged in Bristol. Included in the unemployment estimate are those persons receiving unemployment benefits, others who were ineligible or whose compensation expired and jobseekers entering or reentering the labor force.

Other Indicators: General improvement was noted in other economic indicators (page 7), with manufacturing output advancing, personal income of state residents exceeding $4-billion for the first time, and fewer initial filings for unemployment benefits. The 42-hour workweek for factory workers was the longest since January 1981.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

October 1983

	Oct. 1983	Sept. 1983	Oct. 1982 (R)	% Change Oct. '83 over Sept. '83	% Change Oct. '83 over Oct. '82
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,449,700*	1,442,100*	1,431,600*	+ 0.5	+ 1.3
Manufacturing.............	406,400*	404,600*	406,000*	+ 0.4	+ 0.1
Metallic Manufacturing....	287,100*	286,000*	288,300	+ 0.4	- 0.4
Primary Metals...........	16,700	16,700	16,600	0.0	+ 0.6
Fabricated Metals.........	58,200	58,000	57,700	+ 0.3	+ 0.9
Machinery, Ex. Elec......	48,600	48,500	47,600*	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Electrical Equipment.....	50,700	50,700	49,400	0.0	+ 2.6
Transportation Equipment.	79,800*	79,600*	83,300	+ 0.3	- 4.2
Instruments & Clocks.....	26,700	26,500	27,300	+ 0.8	- 2.2
Other Metallic Mfg.......	6,400	6,000	6,400	+ 6.7	0.0
Nonmetallic Manufacturing.	119,300	118,600	117,700	+ 0.6	+ 1.4
Food.....................	13,100	13,100	12,900	0.0	+ 1.6
Textiles.................	7,200	7,200	7,200	0.0	0.0
Apparel..................	10,000	9,700	10,400	+ 3.1	- 3.8
Furniture & Lumber.......	6,700	6,500	6,500	+ 3.1	+ 3.1
Paper....................	9,900	10,000	10,000	- 1.0	- 1.0
Printing & Publishing....	25,700	25,400	25,100	+ 1.2	+ 2.4
Chemicals................	22,000	22,100	21,600	- 0.5	+ 1.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,500	13,400	12,700	+ 0.7	+ 6.3
Other Nonmetallic Mfg....	11,200	11,200	11,300	0.0	- 0.9
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,043,300	1,037,500	1,025,600*	+ 0.6	+ 1.7
Construction.............	53,800	54,000	53,500*	- 0.4	+ 0.6
Transportation...........	31,300	31,500	32,100	- 0.6	- 2.5
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	12,300	12,200	12,600	+ 0.8	- 2.4
Other Transportation....	19,000	19,300	19,500	- 1.6	- 2.6
Communications...........	18,400	18,400	18,500	0.0	- 0.5
Utilities................	12,100	12,200	11,700	- 0.8	+ 3.4
Trade....................	313,800	313,700	307,000	0.0**	+ 2.2
Wholesale...............	80,000	79,900	79,400	+ 0.1	+ 0.8
Retail..................	233,800	233,800	227,600	0.0	+ 2.7
General Merchandise....	34,400	32,900	31,500	+ 4.6	+ 9.2
Food Stores............	42,800	43,100	41,000	- 0.7	+ 4.4
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	23,300	23,300	23,200	0.0	+ 0.4
Restaurants............	69,900	71,800	68,400	- 2.6	+ 2.2
Other Retail Trade.....	63,400	62,700	63,500	+ 1.1	- 0.2
Finance, Ins. & R.E......	118,000	118,000	114,200	0.0	+ 3.3
Banking.................	28,500	28,600	27,400	- 0.3	+ 4.0
Insurance...............	66,400	66,200	64,500	+ 0.3	+ 2.9
Real Estate.............	9,700	9,900	9,500	- 2.0	+ 2.1
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E..	13,400	13,300	12,800	+ 0.8	+ 4.7
Services.................	312,000	311,500	305,400	+ 0.2	+ 2.2
Hotels..................	7,100	7,500	7,200	- 5.3	- 1.4
Personal Services.......	15,200	15,100	15,000	+ 0.7	+ 1.3
Business Services.......	64,600	64,200	61,800	+ 0.6	+ 4.5
Health Services.........	104,800	104,700	102,500	+ 0.1	+ 2.2
Law & Professional......	22,200	22,100	21,400	+ 0.5	+ 3.7
Educational.............	30,200	29,200	30,200	+ 3.4	0.0
Other Services..........	67,900	68,700	67,300	- 1.2	+ 0.9
Government...............	183,900	178,200	183,200	+ 3.1	+ 0.4
Federal.................	21,300	21,300	21,300	0.0	0.0
State & Local...........	162,600	156,900	161,900	+ 3.6	+ 0.4

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

** Less than 0.1 percent

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - OCTOBER 1983

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Oct. 1983	Sept. 1983	Oct. 1982	Oct. 1983	Sept. 1983	Oct. 1982	Oct. 1983	Sept. 1983	Oct. 1982
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$374.64	$371.18	$336.04	42.0	41.8	40.1	$8.92	$8.88	$8.38
Metallic Manufacturing......	387.47	385.64	348.25	42.3	42.1	40.4	9.16	9.16	8.62
Primary Metals.............	429.13	429.34	356.66	43.7	43.9	40.3	9.82	9.78	8.85
Fabricated Metals..........	349.03	346.94	315.17	41.9	41.8	40.2	8.33	8.30	7.84
Machinery..................	414.29	410.02	361.62	43.2	42.8	41.0	9.59	9.58	8.82
Electrical Equipment.......	318.86	311.95	280.28	41.9	41.1	39.7	7.61	7.59	7.06
Transportation Equipment...	458.85	463.83	426.71	41.6	41.9	40.6	11.03	11.07	10.51
Instruments & Clocks.......	361.58	355.24	309.20	43.2	42.8	40.9	8.37	8.30	7.56
Other Metallic Mfg.........	320.14	317.37	279.70	42.8	42.6	39.9	7.48	7.45	7.01
Nonmetallic Manufacturing...	344.44	338.66	306.53	41.3	41.1	39.4	8.34	8.24	7.78
Food.......................	358.20	357.84	314.00	41.7	42.0	40.0	8.59	8.52	7.85
Textiles...................	275.12	271.37	243.91	39.7	39.5	36.9	6.93	6.87	6.61
Apparel....................	210.36	210.56	192.03	37.1	37.4	36.3	5.67	5.63	5.29
Lumber & Furniture.........	291.81	285.94	253.43	42.6	41.5	40.1	6.85	6.89	6.32
Paper......................	422.27	418.57	387.32	45.7	45.3	45.3	9.24	9.24	8.55
Printing & Publishing......	337.82	334.13	313.42	38.0	37.5	36.7	8.89	8.91	8.54
Chemicals..................	427.14	419.05	394.67	42.8	42.5	41.5	9.98	9.86	9.51
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	308.10	316.50	283.35	41.3	42.2	39.3	7.46	7.50	7.21
Other Nonmetallic Mfg......	363.76	364.66	314.81	42.2	42.7	39.4	8.62	8.54	7.99
Construction................	611.42	597.48	512.03	39.6	39.0	37.9	15.43	15.32	13.51

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT AREA

	Oct.	1983	Sept.	1983	Oct.	1982 (R)
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	76,400	4.7	79,100	4.9	110,700	6.9
Seasonally Adjusted....		(5.0)		(5.2)		(7.7)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,100	7.4	1,100	7.5	1,500	9.7
Bridgeport.............	11,000	5.7	10,900	5.6	16,200	8.3
Bristol................	2,100	6.1	2,100	6.1	4,300	12.3
Danbury................	3,600	3.4	3,800	3.7	5,600	5.5
Danielson..............	1,700	5.5	1,700	5.7	2,900	9.9
Hartford...............	17,200	4.4	18,200	4.6	25,000	6.4
Meriden................	1,800	6.8	1,900	7.3	2,600	9.9
Middletown.............	3,000	5.0	2,900	4.9	3,300	5.6
New Britain............	4,000	5.6	3,900	5.5	6,700	9.3
New Haven..............	10,500	5.2	11,400	5.7	13,600	6.8
New London/Norwich.....	4,400	3.9	4,300	3.7	5,500	5.0
Norwalk................	2,700	3.3	2,800	3.5	3,400	4.4
Stamford...............	4,300	3.2	4,400	3.4	5,600	4.4
Torrington.............	2,600	6.3	2,700	6.6	3,900	9.3
Waterbury..............	5,500	5.2	6,000	5.7	9,200	8.7
Willimantic............	900	3.5	1,000	3.9	1,400	5.4
U.S. Total-Actual........	9,383,000	8.4	9,830,000	8.8	10,942,000	9.9
		(8.8)		(9.3)		(10.5)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Oct. '83	Sept. '83	Oct. '82
All Items..............	302.6	301.8	294.1
Percent Change From....	xxx	+ 0.3	+ 2.9

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

				Percent Change to October 1983 from:	
Area	Oct.'83	Sept.'83	Oct.'82 (R)	Sept.'83	Oct.'82
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	7,640	7,650	7,810	- 0.1	- 2.2
Manufacturing	2,230	2,210	2,260	+ 0.9	- 1.3
Nonmanufacturing	5,410	5,440	5,550	- 0.6	- 2.5
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	166,700 (R)	165,400*	168,110	+ 0.8	- 0.8
Manufacturing	58,110	57,810	59,460	+ 0.5	- 2.3
Nonmanufacturing	108,590 (R)	107,590*	108,650	+ 0.9	- 0.1
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,130	22,940	21,880	+ 0.8	+ 5.7
Manufacturing	9,100	8,920	8,160	+ 2.0	+ 11.5
Nonmanufacturing	14,030	14,020	13,720	+ 0.1	+ 2.2
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	74,140	73,510*	72,110	+ 0.8	+ 2.8
Manufacturing	27,000	26,740	26,300	+ 1.0	+ 2.7
Nonmanufacturing	47,140	46,770*	45,810	+ 0.8	+ 2.9
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,200	21,060	20,300	+ 0.7	+ 4.4
Manufacturing	9,780	9,790	9,170	- 0.1	+ 6.6
Nonmanufacturing	11,420	11,270	11,130	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	402,470	401,760*	399,420*	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
Manufacturing	87,340	87,250*	88,060*	+ 0.1	- 0.8
Nonmanufacturing	315,130	314,510	311,360	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,450	21,460	21,210	- 0.1	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	5,060	5,090	5,250	- 0.6	- 3.6
Nonmanufacturing	16,390	16,370	15,960	+ 0.1	+ 2.7
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	44,660	44,810	45,650	- 0.3	- 2.2
Manufacturing	13,660	13,800	14,700	- 1.0	- 7.1
Nonmanufacturing	31,000	31,010	30,950	- 0.1	+ 0.2
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	59,420	59,110	59,840*	+ 0.5	- 0.7
Manufacturing	24,150	24,140	24,840*	+ 0.1	- 2.8
Nonmanufacturing	35,270	34,970	35,000	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	186,160	185,530	190,050*	+ 0.3	- 2.0
Manufacturing	37,140	36,730	39,870*	+ 1.1	- 6.9
Nonmanufacturing	149,020	148,800	150,180	+ 0.1	- 0.8
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	97,770*	97,910*	97,870	- 0.1	- 0.1
Manufacturing	34,290*	34,010*	35,250	+ 0.8	- 2.7
Nonmanufacturing	63,480	63,900	62.620	- 0.6	+ 1.4
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	65,620	65,120	64,130	+ 0.8	+ 2.3
Manufacturing	21,680	21,550	21,190	+ 0.6	+ 2.3
Nonmanufacturing	43,940	43,570	42,940	+ 0.8	+ 2.3

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Oct.'83	Sept.'83	Oct.'82 (R)	Percent Change to October 1983 from: Sept.'83	Oct.'82
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	115,310	115,790	114,180	- 0.4	+ 1.0
Manufacturing	31,820	31,620	32,000	+ 0.6	- 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	83,490	84,170	82,180	- 0.8	+ 1.6
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,930	28,690	29,620	+ 0.8	- 2.3
Manufacturing	9,280	9,190	9,600	+ 1.0	- 3.3
Nonmanufacturing	19,650	19,500	20,020	+ 0.8	- 1.8
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	85,830*	85,160	85,540	+ 0.8	+ 0.3
Manufacturing	28,650*	28,320	29,250	+ 1.2	- 2.1
Nonmanufacturing	57,180	56,840	56,290	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,600	20,490	20,550	+ 5.4	+ 5.1
Manufacturing	2,080	2,160	2,530	- 3.7	- 17.8
Nonmanufacturing	19,520	18,330	18,020	+ 6.5	+ 8.3

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* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Oct. 1983	Sep. 1983	Oct. 1982	Average Weekly Hours Oct. 1983	Sep. 1983	Oct. 1982	Average Hourly Earnings Oct. 1983	Sep. 1983	Oct. 1982
Ansonia	$411.94	$431.49	$401.12	43.0	44.9	43.6	$9.58	$9.61	$9.20
Bridgeport	398.56	396.44	351.82	42.4	42.4	40.3	9.40	9.35	8.73
Bristol	394.48	407.77	347.27	41.7	42.3	38.5	9.46	9.64	9.02
Danbury	363.38	364.93	329.64	42.7	43.6	42.7	8.51	8.37	7.72
Danielson	332.03	307.35	277.49	40.1	37.3	37.6	8.28	8.24	7.38
Hartford	396.15	397.28 (R)	365.89	41.7	41.6	40.7	9.50	9.55 (R)	8.99
Meriden	316.61	317.05	289.48	40.8	40.7	39.6	7.76	7.79	7.31
Middletown	388.74	373.63	350.95	41.8	40.7	39.7	9.30	9.18	8.84
New Britain	389.00	384.89	340.80	42.1	41.7	40.0	9.24	9.23	8.52
New Haven	356.25	352.46	318.67	40.3	40.7	39.1	8.84	8.66	8.15
New London/ Norwich	391.23	392.45	358.99	40.5	40.5	40.2	9.66	9.69	8.93
Norwalk	387.55	378.86	335.58	44.7	43.9	42.0	8.68	8.63	7.99
Stamford	347.67	344.60	325.22	40.1	39.7	40.4	8.67	8.68	8.05
Torrington	278.88	272.74	238.64	40.3	39.3	38.0	6.92	6.94	6.28
Waterbury	335.60	329.94	280.76	44.1	43.7	39.6	7.61	7.55	7.09
Willimantic	323.53	292.55	266.53	39.6	38.8	39.9	8.17	7.54	6.68

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.) Actual(R)	Employment Nonag. (Thous.) Seas. Adj.(R)	Av. Weekly Initial Claims Actual	Av. Weekly Initial Claims Seas. Adj.	Rate Total Unemployment Actual	Rate Total Unemployment Seas. Adj.
1982						
Jan....	1414.4	1430.3	8581	6400	7.3	6.5
Feb....	1412.4	1431.5	5890	6930	7.3	6.7
Mar....	1417.2	1427.0	5394	7369	7.1	6.8
Apr....	1424.5	1425.3	6211	7045	6.8	6.9
May....	1433.8	1425.4	6148	7920	6.6	6.9
Jun....	1441.8	1425.3	7493	7372	6.8	6.6
Jul....	1416.9	1428.3	10612	6958	7.0	6.6
Aug....	1407.4	1425.7	6742	6728	6.7	6.5
Sep....	1429.5	1424.4	6314	9088	6.5	7.2
Oct....	1431.6	1422.4	6560	8741	6.9	7.7
Nov....	1436.1	1422.4	7771	9115	6.8	7.4
Dec....	1439.9	1419.9	11922	7651	7.0	7.4
1983						
Jan....	1404.8	1420.4	10813	8063	8.3	7.2
Feb....	1402.8	1421.3	5308	6245	8.2	7.4
Mar....	1407.7	1417.6	4562	6232	7.9	7.8
Apr....	1419.7	1419.7	5046	5721	7.0	7.4
May....	1432.8	1424.3	4277	5512	6.3	7.0
Jun....	1440.1	1423.0	5352	5268	6.4	6.4
Jul....	1419.8	1431.2	7784	5104	6.3	6.1
Aug....	1407.0	1425.5	4553	4544	5.3	5.3
Sep....	1442.1	1436.4	3477	5003	4.9	5.2
Oct....	1449.7	1441.1	3620	4827	4.7	5.0
Nov....						
Dec....						

	Personal Income Millions Seasonally Adj.	New Auto Registrations Actual	New Auto Registrations Seas. Adj.	Average Work-Week Hours Actual	Average Work-Week Hours Seas. Adj.	Mfg. Output (1967=100) Actual	Mfg. Output (1967=100) Seas. Adj.
1982							
Jan....	3540.0	6380	7798	40.9	40.6	117.0	112.5
Feb....	3559.9	4919	6632	40.8	40.8	115.0	111.2
Mar....	3578.7	9368	7369	40.9	40.8	115.3	110.4
Apr....	3592.3	5286	5234	40.6	40.8	113.6	110.2
May....	3612.4	8632	8190	40.5	40.6	112.8	109.8
Jun....	3626.7	9845	9025	40.2	40.3	111.3	107.6
Jul....	3666.4	8391	8608	40.0	40.3	93.1	105.1
Aug....	3687.4	11219	10273	40.0	40.3	93.0	105.4
Sep....	3714.0	3754	4163	40.1	40.3	108.2	106.7
Oct....	3735.9	9056	9018	40.1	40.2	107.7	105.6
Nov....	3762.1	14799	14805	40.7	40.3	109.7	105.8
Dec....	3785.9	11115	10912	40.9	40.3	99.3	104.7
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	12197	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	10811	39.4	39.4	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6503	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	8371	41.1	41.2	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9430	41.1	41.3	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11984	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	7221	41.3	41.3	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10845	41.5	41.9	98.4	111.8
Sep....	3969.6	12105	13818	41.8	42.1	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	9570	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....							
Dec....							

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CONNECTICUT LABOR SITUATION

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December 1983

Economic conditions continued to improve in Connecticut during November when employment reached its highest level in nearly two years, unemployment dropped and wages and personal income were at record high levels, according to State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Employment in nonfarm jobs increased by 8,000 over the month to 1,457,700, the highest since December 1981 and 21,600 above November last year (page 2). Manufacturing employment increased by 2,600, with monthly gains in transportation equipment (up by 900), fabricated metals (500 increase), and other industries. An increase of 5,400 in nonmanufacturing employment included seasonal hiring in general merchandise (2,100 higher) and other retail trade (up by 1,200). Increased employment was recorded in 13 labor market areas, was unchanged in Ansonia and dropped in Danielson and Torrington (pages 5 & 6).

Wages of factory production workers set a new all-time high of $378.59 weekly and $8.95 an hour for a slightly longer workweek of 42.3 hours (page 3). Straight-time earnings at $8.54 hourly and $341.60 weekly were unchanged from October and 4.8 percent above a year earlier. Wages were highest in Ansonia, followed by New London/Norwich, Norwalk, Hartford, Bristol and Bridgeport (page 6).

Unemployment: Unemployment was estimated at 76,000, down 400 from October and 33,300 under November 1982 (page 4). The 4.6 percent November rate was the lowest since September 1979. Seasonally adjusted, the unemployment rate dropped two-tenths of a percent to 4.8 and remained well under the comparable national rate of 8.4 percent. Included in the unemployment estimate are those persons receiving unemployment benefits, others who are ineligible or whose compensation expired and jobseekers entering or reentering the labor force. There were approximately 23,700 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits.

Other Indicators: Elsewhere in the economy, personal income of state residents reached a record high level, registrations for new cars increased, manufacturing output was up and weekly first-time filings for unemployment benefits (seasonally adjusted) dropped (page 7).

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A report on 1982 earnings of Connecticut workers is attached.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

November 1983

	Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982 (R)	% Change Nov. '83 over Oct. '83	% Change Nov. '83 over Nov. '82
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,457,700*	1,449,700*	1,436,100*	+ 0.6	+ 1.5
Manufacturing.............	409,000*	406,400*	406,500*	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
Metallic Manufacturing....	289,200*	287,100*	288,600*	+ 0.7	+ 0.2
Primary Metals...........	16,800	16,700	16,600	+ 0.6	+ 1.2
Fabricated Metals........	58,700	58,200	57,400	+ 0.9	+ 2.3
Machinery, Ex. Elec......	48,700	48,600	47,200*	+ 0.2	+ 3.2
Electrical Equipment.....	50,800	50,700	49,600	+ 0.2	+ 2.4
Transportation Equipment.	80,700*	79,800*	84,200	+ 1.1	- 4.2
Instruments & Clocks.....	27,100	26,700	27,300	+ 1.5	- 0.7
Other Metallic Mfg.......	6,400	6,400	6,300	0.0	+ 1.6
Nonmetallic Manufacturing.	119,800	119,300	117,900	+ 0.4	+ 1.6
Food.....................	13,000	13,100	13,100	- 0.8	- 0.8
Textiles.................	7,100	7,200	7,200	- 1.4	- 1.4
Apparel..................	10,200	10,000	10,300	+ 2.0	- 1.0
Furniture & Lumber.......	6,800	6,700	6,300	+ 1.5	+ 7.9
Paper....................	10,100	9,900	10,200	+ 2.0	- 1.0
Printing & Publishing....	25,800	25,700	25,200	+ 0.4	+ 2.4
Chemicals................	22,300	22,000	21,700	+ 1.4	+ 2.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,400	13,500	12,500	- 0.7	+ 7.2
Other Nonmetallic Mfg....	11,100	11,200	11,400	- 0.9	- 2.6
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,048,700	1,043,300	1,029,600	+ 0.5	+ 1.9
Construction.............	53,000	53,800	53,000	- 1.5	0.0
Transportation...........	31,100	31,300	31,900	- 0.6	- 2.5
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	12,300	12,300	12,600	0.0	- 2.4
Other Transportation....	18,800	19,000	19,300	- 1.1	- 2.6
Communications...........	18,100	18,400	18,500	- 1.6	- 2.2
Utilities................	12,200	12,100	11,700	+ 0.8	+ 4.3
Trade....................	317,300	313,800	310,200	+ 1.1	+ 2.3
Wholesale...............	80,000	80,000	79,300	0.0	+ 0.9
Retail..................	237,300	233,800	230,900	+ 1.5	+ 2.8
General Merchandise....	36,500	34,400	33,500	+ 6.1	+ 9.0
Food Stores............	43,300	42,800	41,400	+ 1.2	+ 4.6
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	23,300	23,300	23,200	0.0	+ 0.4
Restaurants............	69,600	69,900	68,000	- 0.4	+ 2.4
Other Retail Trade.....	64,600	63,400	64,800	+ 1.9	- 0.3
Finance, Ins. & R.E......	118,300	118,000	114,400	+ 0.2	+ 3.4
Banking.................	28,700	28,500	27,600	+ 0.7	+ 4.0
Insurance...............	66,600	66,400	64,500	+ 0.3	+ 3.3
Real Estate.............	9,600	9,700	9,400	- 1.3	+ 2.1
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E..	13,400	13,400	12,900	0.0	+ 3.8
Services.................	311,500	312,000	305,300	- 0.2	+ 2.0
Hotels..................	7,000	7,100	7,100	- 1.4	- 1.4
Personal Services.......	15,300	15,200	15,100	+ 0.7	+ 1.3
Business Services.......	64,800	64,600	62,000	+ 0.3	+ 4.5
Health Services.........	105,100	104,800	102,800	+ 0.3	+ 2.2
Law & Professional......	22,200	22,200	21,400	0.0	+ 3.7
Educational Services....	29,900	30,200	30,200	- 1.0	- 1.0
Other Services..........	67,200	67,900	66,700	- 1.0	+ 0.8
Government...............	187,200	183,900	184,600	+ 1.8	+ 1.4
Federal.................	21,400	21,300	21,300	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
State & Local...........	165,800	162,600	163,300	+ 2.0	+ 1.5

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - NOVEMBER 1983

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982	Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982	Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$378.59	$374.64	$342.69	42.3	42.0	40.7	$8.95	$8.92	$8.42
Metallic Manufacturing......	395.47	387.47	354.60	42.8	42.3	40.9	9.24	9.16	8.67
Primary Metals............	438.57	429.13	371.62	44.3	43.7	41.2	9.90	9.82	9.02
Fabricated Metals..........	353.63	349.03	310.84	42.3	41.9	39.8	8.36	8.33	7.81
Machinery..................	421.18	414.29	366.39	43.6	43.2	41.4	9.66	9.59	8.85
Electrical Equipment.......	320.12	318.86	291.01	41.9	41.9	40.7	7.64	7.61	7.15
Transportation Equipment...	473.03	458.85	438.88	42.5	41.6	41.6	11.13	11.03	10.55
Instruments & Clocks.......	374.41	361.58	322.28	44.1	43.2	41.8	8.49	8.37	7.71
Other Metallic Mfg.........	322.70	320.14	279.20	43.2	42.8	40.0	7.47	7.48	6.98
Nonmetallic Manufacturing...	341.96	344.44	313.94	41.3	41.3	40.3	8.28	8.34	7.79
Food.......................	351.51	358.20	310.87	41.5	41.7	39.5	8.47	8.59	7.87
Textiles...................	277.67	275.12	255.15	40.3	39.7	38.6	6.89	6.93	6.61
Apparel....................	217.35	210.36	194.99	37.8	37.1	37.0	5.75	5.67	5.27
Lumber & Furniture.........	281.57	291.81	261.65	41.9	42.6	41.4	6.72	6.85	6.32
Paper......................	425.45	422.27	392.79	45.6	45.7	45.2	9.33	9.24	8.69
Printing & Publishing......	330.88	337.82	317.53	37.6	38.0	37.4	8.80	8.89	8.49
Chemicals..................	435.11	427.14	396.16	42.7	42.8	42.1	10.19	9.98	9.41
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	314.58	308.10	292.66	42.0	41.3	40.2	7.49	7.46	7.28
Other Nonmetallic Mfg......	369.80	363.76	326.42	42.9	42.2	40.6	8.62	8.62	8.04
Construction................	608.40	611.42	511.06	39.1	39.6	37.8	15.56	15.43	13.52

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	Nov. 1983		Oct. 1983		Nov. 1982 (R)	
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	76,000	4.6	76,400	4.7	109,300	6.8
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.8)		(5.0)		(7.4)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,200	7.7	1,100	7.4	1,600	10.3
Bridgeport.............	10,300	5.3	11,000	5.7	16,000	8.2
Bristol................	2,000	5.6	2,100	6.1	4,000	11.7
Danbury................	3,700	3.5	3,600	3.4	5,700	5.7
Danielson..............	1,800	5.8	1,700	5.5	2,900	9.9
Hartford...............	17,100	4.3	17,200	4.4	23,100	5.9
Meriden................	1,900	7.1	1,800	6.8	2,600	9.7
Middletown.............	3,000	5.0	3,000	5.0	3,400	5.8
New Britain............	3,700	5.2	4,000	5.6	6,700	9.2
New Haven..............	10,300	5.1	10,500	5.2	13,100	6.5
New London/Norwich.....	4,400	3.9	4,400	3.9	5,800	5.3
Norwalk................	2,800	3.4	2,700	3.3	3,800	4.8
Stamford...............	4,400	3.3	4,300	3.2	5,600	4.4
Torrington.............	2,700	6.6	2,600	6.3	4,100	9.8
Waterbury..............	5,700	5.4	5,500	5.2	9,700	9.2
Willimantic............	1,000	3.5	900	3.5	1,200	4.5
U.S. Total-Actual........	9,129,000	8.1	9,383,000	8.4	11,476,000	10.4
Seasonally Adjusted......		(8.4)		(8.8)		(10.7)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Nov. '83	Oct. '83	Nov. '82
All Items..............	303.1	302.6	293.6
Percent Change From....	xxx	+ 0.2	+ 3.2

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

				Percent Change to November 1983 from:	
Area	Nov.'83	Oct.'83	Nov.'82 (R)	Oct.'83	Nov.'82
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	7,640	7,640	7,830	0.0	- 2.4
Manufacturing	2,210	2,230	2,270	- 0.9	- 2.6
Nonmanufacturing	5,430	5,410	5,560	+ 0.3	- 2.3
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	167,920	166,700 (R)	168,720	+ 0.7	- 0.5
Manufacturing	58,490	58,110	59,330	+ 0.6	- 1.4
Nonmanufacturing	109,430	108,590 (R)	109,390	+ 0.8	0.0
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,360	23,130	21,720	+ 1.0	+ 7.6
Manufacturing	9,240	9,100	8,080	+ 1.5	+ 14.4
Nonmanufacturing	14,120	14,030	13,640	+ 0.6	+ 3.5
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	74,610	74,140	72,070	+ 0.6	+ 3.5
Manufacturing	27,520	27,000	26,370	+ 1.9	+ 4.4
Nonmanufacturing	47,090	47,140	45,700	- 0.1	+ 3.0
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,160	21,200	20,210	- 0.2	+ 4.7
Manufacturing	9,730	9,780	9,110	- 0.5	+ 6.8
Nonmanufacturing	11,430	11,420	11,100	+ 0.1	+ 3.0
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	404,240*	402,470	400,520*	+ 0.4	+ 0.9
Manufacturing	87,980	87,340	88,190*	+ 0.7	- 0.2
Nonmanufacturing	316,260*	315,130	312,330	+ 0.4	+ 1.3
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,730	21,450	21,440	+ 1.3	+ 1.4
Manufacturing	5,120	5,060	5,340	+ 1.2	- 4.1
Nonmanufacturing	16,610	16,390	16,100	+ 1.3	+ 3.2
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	44,900	44,660	46,000	+ 0.5	- 2.4
Manufacturing	13,810	13,660	14,940	+ 1.1	- 7.6
Nonmanufacturing	31,090	31,000	31,060	+ 0.3	+ 0.1
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	59,490	59,420	59,930*	+ 0.1	- 0.7
Manufacturing	24,170	24,150	24,790*	+ 0.1	- 2.5
Nonmanufacturing	35,320	35,270	35,140	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	186,760	186,160	190,170	+ 0.3	- 1.8
Manufacturing	37,650	37,140	39,710	+ 1.4	- 5.2
Nonmanufacturing	149,110	149,020	150,460	+ 0.1	- 0.9
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	97,810	97,770*	98,110	+ 0.1	- 0.3
Manufacturing	34,300	34,290*	35,550	+ 0.1	- 3.5
Nonmanufacturing	63,510	63,480	62,560	+ 0.1	+ 1.5
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	65,780	65,620	64,070	+ 0.2	+ 2.7
Manufacturing	21,830	21,680	21,100	+ 0.7	+ 3.5
Nonmanufacturing	43,950	43,940	42,970	+ 0.1	+ 2.3

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Nov.'83	Oct.'83	Nov.'82(R)	Percent Change to November 1983 from: Oct.'83	Nov.'82
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	115,430*	115,310	114,630	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Manufacturing	31,780	31,820	32,010	- 0.1	- 0.7
Nonmanufacturing	83,650*	83,490	82,620	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,830	28,930	29,460	- 0.3	- 2.1
Manufacturing	9,180	9,280	9,570	- 1.1	- 4.1
Nonmanufacturing	19,650	19,650	19,890	0.0	- 1.2
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	86,180*	85,830*	84,570	+ 0.4	+ 1.9
Manufacturing	28,700*	28,650*	28,360	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
Nonmanufacturing	57,480	57,180	56,210	+ 1.1	+ 2.3
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,080	21,600	21,460	+ 2.2	+ 2.9
Manufacturing	2,050	2,080	2,530	- 1.4	- 19.0
Nonmanufacturing	20,030	19,520	18,930	+ 2.6	+ 5.8

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* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
Note: Area employment estimated may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982	Average Weekly Hours Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982	Average Hourly Earnings Nov. 1983	Oct. 1983	Nov. 1982
Ansonia	$425.42	$411.94	$404.05	44.5	43.0	43.4	$9.56	$9.58	$9.31
Bridgeport	403.94	398.56	358.16	42.7	42.4	40.7	9.46	9.40	8.80
Bristol	404.07	394.48	344.45	42.4	41.7	38.4	9.53	9.46	8.97
Danbury	375.37	363.38	331.93	43.8	42.7	42.5	8.57	8.51	7.81
Danielson	349.29	(R)335.24	294.28	40.9	40.1	39.5	8.54	8.36	7.45
Hartford	407.35	396.15	374.92	42.3	41.7	41.2	9.63	9.50	9.10
Meriden	316.80	316.61	307.04	40.0	40.8	40.4	7.92	7.76	7.60
Middletown	392.18	388.74	364.42	41.9	41.8	40.9	9.36	9.30	8.91
New Britain	387.99	389.00	354.60	41.9	42.1	40.9	9.26	9.24	8.67
New Haven	366.54	356.25	319.45	41.0	40.3	39.1	8.94	8.84	8.17
New London/ Norwich	416.90	391.23	369.82	41.9	40.5	41.0	9.95	9.66	9.02
Norwalk	411.52	388.00	335.62	46.5	44.7	41.9	8.85	8.68	8.01
Stamford	354.44	347.67	331.68	40.6	40.1	40.4	8.73	8.67	8.21
Torrington	283.56	278.88	242.70	40.8	40.3	38.1	6.95	6.92	6.37
Waterbury	340.99	335.60	282.50	44.4	44.1	40.3	7.68	7.61	7.01
Willimantic	317.29	323.53	280.80	38.6	39.6	41.6	8.22	8.17	6.75

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment	
	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1982						
Jan....	1414.4	1430.3	8581	6400	7.3	6.5
Feb....	1412.4	1431.5	5890	6930	7.3	6.7
Mar....	1417.2	1427.0	5394	7369	7.1	6.8
Apr....	1424.5	1425.3	6211	7045	6.8	6.9
May....	1433.8	1425.4	6148	7920	6.6	6.9
Jun....	1441.8	1425.3	7493	7372	6.8	6.6
Jul....	1416.9	1428.3	10612	6958	7.8	6.6
Aug....	1407.4	1425.7	6742	6728	6.7	6.5
Sep....	1429.5	1424.4	6314	9088	6.5	7.2
Oct....	1431.6	1422.4	6560	8741	6.9	7.7
Nov....	1436.1	1422.4	7771	9115	6.8	7.4
Dec....	1439.9	1419.9	11922	7651	7.0	7.4
1983						
Jan....	1404.8	1420.4	10813	8063	8.3	7.2
Feb....	1402.8	1421.3	5308	6245	8.2	7.4
Mar....	1407.7	1417.6	4562	6232	7.9	7.8
Apr....	1419.7	1419.7	5046	5721	7.0	7.4
May....	1432.8	1424.3	4277	5512	6.3	7.0
Jun....	1440.1	1423.0	5352	5268	6.4	6.4
Jul....	1419.8	1431.2	7784	5104	6.3	6.1
Aug....	1407.0	1425.5	4553	4544	5.3	5.3
Sep....	1442.1	1436.4	3477	5003	4.9	5.2
Oct....	1449.7	1441.1	3620	4827	4.7	5.0
Nov....	1457.7	1443.3	3815	4472	4.6	4.8
Dec....						

	Personal Income Millions	New Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Seasonally Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1982							
Jan....	3540.0	6380	7798	40.9	40.6	117.0	112.5
Feb....	3559.9	4919	6632	40.8	40.8	115.0	111.2
Mar....	3578.7	9368	7369	40.9	40.8	115.3	110.4
Apr....	3592.3	5286	5234	40.6	40.8	113.6	110.2
May....	3612.4	8632	8190	40.5	40.6	112.8	109.8
Jun....	3626.7	9845	9025	40.2	40.3	111.3	107.6
Jul....	3666.4	8391	8608	40.0	40.3	93.1	105.1
Aug....	3687.4	11219	10273	40.0	40.3	93.0	105.4
Sep....	3714.0	3754	4163	40.1	40.3	108.2	106.7
Oct....	3735.9	9056	9018	40.1	40.2	107.7	105.6
Nov....	3762.1	14799	14805	40.7	40.3	109.7	105.8
Dec....	3785.9	11115	10912	40.9	40.3	99.3	104.7
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	12197	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	10811	39.4	39.4	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6503	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	8371	41.1	41.2	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9430	41.1	41.3	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11984	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	7221	41.3	41.3	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10845	41.5	41.9	98.4	111.0
Sep....	3969.6	12105	13818	41.8	42.1	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	9570	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	13887	42.3	41.9	120.7	116.4
Dec....							

R - Revised data

CONNECTICUT WORKERS AVERAGE $17,641 IN 1982

During 1982 an average of more than 1,418,000 Connecticut workers were covered under provisions of the State and Federal Unemployment Insurance Laws. The vast majority of these worked for establishments covered by the State Law, since only slightly more than 21,000 persons were on the payrolls of Federal Government units located across the State. Total wages paid to all covered workers amounted to more than $25 billion and averaged out to $17,641 per employee for the year, or $339 per week.

Although current comparative figures are not available, 1980 data showed Connecticut's covered workers ranking tenth among the 50 states and earning almost 6 percent above the national average. Estimates of per capita personal income developed by the U.S. Department of Commerce which utilize these covered earnings statistics as the major element of income, place Connecticut second only to Alaska where both wages and living costs are substantially inflated.

While the overall average earnings of covered workers in Connecticut was at $17,641 in 1982, the accompanying tables show that there was a wide disparity of earnings power between different industry groups. Among industries with more than 1,000 workers, highest annual earnings were the $39,143 reported by security and commodity brokers. Second ranked were holding and other investment offices, at $35,693 per year. In the same broad industrial sector the more heavily populated banking industry reported payrolls which averaged out to $14,782 per worker, while the real estate industry showed a slightly lower $14,423.

On average, workers in Connecticut's manufacturing industries earned about 1.3 percent more than their construction industry counterparts over the year--$22,221 as compared to $21,942--even though measures of weekly earnings collected through a cooperative labor statistics survey consistently place the weekly wages of on-site construction workers above those of factory production employees. Although this apparent discrepancy may be due in part to the bad-weather interruptions in construction activity, it also reflects the increasing numbers of high paid, non-production employees in manufacturing headquarter and research facilities located in the State.

A relatively high $34,441 earnings average was reported for the mining industry in Connecticut, but like the even higher paid petroleum and coal products ($42,703) and tobacco products ($34,656) industries in the manufacturing sector, the mining industry is small and includes several corporate headquarter units. Among the larger employing groups which showed above-average earnings were the communications and utilities industry ($25,973), the miscellaneous service industry (which includes engineering and accounting firms) ($24,108), the federal government ($23,536) and wholesale trade ($23,003). Lowest average earnings were reported in the retail trade sector ($9,393) and in the agriculture, forestry and fishing groups ($11,002). A number of industry groups in the service sector also reported earnings which averaged under $10,000 per year.

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CONNECTICUT
COVERED EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES BY INDUSTRY *
FOR 1982

INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION	UNITS REPORTING 4TH QTR	ANNUAL AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	TOTAL WAGES	ANNUAL AVERAGE WAGE	AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE
TOTAL - ALL INDUSTRIES	71,835	1,418,609	25,025,805,994	17,641	339.25
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHING	1,120	9,403	103,452,867	11,002	211.58
AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION - CROPS	119	3,388	30,194,773	8,912	171.38
AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION - LIVESTOCK	41	1,115	15,101,630	13,544	260.46
AGRICULTURE SERVICES	942	4,603	54,541,257	11,849	227.88
FORESTRY AND FISHING	18	296	3,615,207	12,214	234.88
MINING	76	1,742	59,996,213	34,441	662.33
CONSTRUCTION	6,756	49,096	1,077,256,676	21,942	421.96
GENERAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS	1,872	11,767	245,709,634	20,881	401.56
HEAVY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS	300	8,301	238,137,396	28,688	551.69
SPECIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS	4,584	29,028	593,409,646	20,443	393.13
MANUFACTURING	5,793	417,589	9,279,250,359	22,221	427.33
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS	204	13,243	275,376,792	20,794	399.88
TOBACCO MANUFACTURERS	5	447	15,491,105	34,656	666.46
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	93	7,281	107,483,446	14,762	283.88
APPAREL AND OTHER TEXTILE PRODUCTS	218	9,739	115,587,770	11,869	228.25
LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS	201	2,177	32,670,712	15,007	288.60
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	96	4,143	68,606,835	16,560	318.46
PAPER AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	112	10,244	272,028,914	26,555	510.67
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	779	25,408	455,380,235	17,923	344.67
CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	190	21,448	643,671,285	30,011	577.13
PETROLEUM AND COAL PRODUCTS	13	407	17,380,091	42,703	821.21
RUBBER AND MISC. PLASTIC PRODUCTS	248	12,835	249,125,668	19,410	373.27
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	22	799	8,580,135	10,739	206.71
STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS	155	6,447	131,709,820	20,429	392.87
PRIMARY METAL INDUSTRIES	192	17,315	390,104,980	22,473	432.17
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	956	59,612	1,226,063,063	20,567	395.52
MACHINERY, EXCEPT ELECTRICAL	1,336	51,979	1,152,568,724	22,174	426.42
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT	434	50,379	1,033,041,185	20,505	394.33
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	138	84,539	2,243,647,360	26,540	510.38
INSTRUMENTS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	228	28,618	643,877,247	22,499	432.67
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	223	10,133	188,851,979	18,637	358.40
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS & UTIL.	2,213	59,188	1,315,459,313	22,226	427.46
LOCAL AND INTERURBAN PASSENGER TRANSIT	214	7,866	80,639,208	10,252	197.15
TRUCKING AND WAREHOUSING	836	12,218	267,863,545	21,924	421.62
WATER TRANSPORTATION	156	1,588	31,344,123	19,726	379.35
TRANSPORTATION BY AIR	91	2,391	50,591,555	21,159	406.90
RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	497	4,218	82,446,717	19,546	375.88
COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	419	30,900	802,574,165	25,973	499.48
WHOLESALE TRADE	7,084	77,119	1,773,959,095	23,003	442.37
WHOLESALE TRADE - DURABLE GOODS	4,387	44,484	1,064,510,456	23,930	460.19
WHOLESALE TRADE - NONDURABLE GOODS	2,697	32,635	709,448,639	21,739	418.06

INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION	UNITS REPORTING 4TH QTR	ANNUAL AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	TOTAL WAGES	ANNUAL AVERAGE WAGE	AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE
RETAIL TRADE	16,865	229,107	2,151,954,883	9,393	180.63
BUILDING MATERIALS AND GARDEN SUPPLIES	872	8,041	114,470,336	14,236	273.77
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	365	31,486	270,131,935	8,579	164.98
FOOD STORES	1,975	40,318	387,326,655	9,607	184.75
AUTOMOTIVE DEALERS & SERVICE STATIONS	2,465	24,179	337,205,034	13,946	268.19
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES STORES	1,329	14,700	136,520,449	9,287	178.60
FURNITURE AND HOME FURNISHING STORES	1,239	8,021	119,178,492	14,858	285.73
EATING AND DRINKING PLACES	4,208	69,160	417,855,382	6,042	116.19
MISCELLANEOUS RETAIL	4,412	33,204	369,266,600	11,121	213.87
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	5,073	112,370	2,237,756,161	19,914	382.96
BANKING	469	27,200	407,070,028	14,782	284.27
CREDIT AGENCIES OTHER THAN BANKS	529	6,577	125,534,645	19,087	367.06
SECURITY, COMMODITY BROKERS & SERVICES	281	3,534	138,331,760	39,143	752.75
INSURANCE CARRIERS	352	56,268	1,230,951,179	21,877	420.71
INSURANCE AGENTS, BROKERS & SERVICES	1,187	7,503	150,447,179	20,052	385.62
REAL ESTATE	2,028	9,490	136,874,524	14,423	277.37
COMBINED REAL ESTATE, INSURANCE, ETC.	103	545	8,859,343	16,256	312.62
HOLDING AND OTHER INVESTMENT OFFICES	129	1,252	44,687,507	35,693	686.40
SERVICES	23,677	286,375	4,093,187,122	14,292	274.85
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	258	7,253	59,633,070	8,222	158.12
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,619	14,882	133,185,110	8,949	172.10
BUSINESS SERVICES	4,353	59,549	906,811,935	15,228	292.85
AUTO REPAIR, SERVICES AND GARAGES	1,521	8,108	110,342,121	13,609	261.71
MISCELLANEOUS REPAIR SERVICES	717	3,434	54,802,365	15,959	306.90
MOTION PICTURES	195	1,872	16,921,980	9,040	173.85
AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION SERVICES	792	11,452	114,181,676	9,970	191.73
HEALTH SERVICES	5,243	101,738	1,560,460,986	15,338	294.96
LEGAL SERVICES	1,642	8,426	165,129,564	19,598	376.88
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	480	27,699	395,501,077	14,279	274.60
SOCIAL SERVICES	1,019	14,766	140,678,447	9,527	183.21
MUSEUMS, BOTANICAL, ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS	47	899	8,449,596	9,399	180.75
MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS	1,270	10,316	96,317,538	9,337	179.56
PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS	2,063	3,349	25,724,128	7,681	147.71
MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES	1,458	12,653	305,034,529	24,108	463.62
GOVERNMENT	3,178	176,609	2,933,538,317	16,610	319.42
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	468	21,357	502,650,239	23,536	452.61
STATE GOVERNMENT	639	48,866	833,280,416	17,053	327.94
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	2,071	106,392	1,597,607,662	15,017	288.78

* COVERED EMPLOYMENT UNDER UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS INCLUDES ALL WORKERS WITH THE FOLLOWING GENERAL EXCEPTIONS (1) RAILROAD EMPLOYEES WHO ARE COVERED UNDER A SPECIAL RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT; (2) RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND SOME PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS RUN BY PARISH CHURCHES; AND (3) CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL AND PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD WORKERS WHOSE EMPLOYERS DO NOT MEET THE SIZE OR PAYROLL OR TIME CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE LAWS.

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Strong economic conditions were recorded in Connecticut during the final month of 1983 when more people were employed than ever before, the unemployment rate was at a five-year low and personal income and average factory wages were at record levels, it is reported by State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Employment in nonfarm jobs during December increased to 1,467,000 (page 2), the highest level ever reached in the state. It was up by 9,300 from November and 27,100 above December 1982. Manufacturing registered a monthly gain of 2,800 (up 6,600 from the year before), with increases in all categories except paper, rubber and miscellaneous plastics and other nonmetallic manufacturing which had slight declines. In the nonmanufacturing sector, the monthly and yearly increases were 6,500 and 20,500, respectively, with increases in insurance, business and health services and government, and seasonal gains in trade. Employment rose over the month in 12 labor markets and declined in four (pages 5 & 6).

Average weekly earnings of factory production workers were at a new high of $384.20 weekly and $9.04 an hour (page 3). The workweek of 42.5-hours was the longest in four years, and up from 42.3 in November and 40.9 a year earlier. Straight-time, 40-hour earnings for December were $344.40 weekly and $8.61 hourly which compared with $341.60 and $8.54 in November and 4.5 percent above the December 1982 earnings of $329.60 per week at $8.24 an hour. Workers in the Ansonia area earned the highest weekly wage, followed by Norwalk, New London/Norwich, Hartford, Middletown and Bridgeport (page 6).

Unemployment: December's statewide unemployment was estimated at 73,900 or 4.5 percent, down from 76,000 and 4.6 in November and 113,500 and 7 percent in 1982 (page 4) and the lowest since November 1978. Seasonally adjusted, the unemployment rate declined two-tenths to 4.6 percent, the lowest recorded in the state since February 1970. Both the actual and seasonally adjusted Connecticut unemployment rates remained substantially under the comparable 8 and 8.2 percent national figures. Unemployment decreased over the month in 12 labor market areas, increased in three and was unchanged in New London/Norwich. Unemployment improved throughout Connecticut from December 1982 when six areas had double digit unemployment rates ranging from 10 percent in Meriden to 12.3 in Bristol. Included in the unemployment estimate are those people receiving unemployment benefits, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired, those entering or reentering the labor force and workers who were not entitled to wages during temporary seasonal shutdowns. There were an estimated 28,100 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits.

Other Indicators: Elsewhere in the economy (page 7) personal income of state residents once again reached an all-time high and the manufacturing output index improved on a seasonally adjusted basis.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

December 1983

	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982 (R)	% Change Dec. '83 over Nov. '83	% Change Dec. '83 over Dec. '82
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,467,000*	1,457,700*	1,439,900*	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
Manufacturing..............	411,800*	409,000*	405,200*	+ 0.7	+ 1.6
Metallic Manufacturing....	291,900*	289,200*	288,700*	+ 0.9	+ 1.1
Primary Metals...........	17,000	16,800	16,300	+ 1.2	+ 4.3
Fabricated Metals.........	59,400	58,700	57,700	+ 1.2	+ 3.0
Machinery, Exc. Elec.....	48,800	48,700*	47,000*	+ 0.2	+ 3.8
Electrical Equipment.....	51,500	50,800	49,400	+ 1.4	+ 4.2
Transportation Equipment.	80,900*	80,700*	85,000	+ 0.2	- 4.8
Instruments & Clocks.....	27,400	27,100*	26,900	+ 1.1	+ 1.9
Other Metallic Mfg.......	6,900	6,400	6,400	+ 7.8	+ 7.8
Nonmetallic Manufacturing.	119,900	119,800	116,500	0.0**	+ 2.9
Food.....................	13,100	13,000	12,800	+ 0.8	+ 2.3
Textiles.................	7,200	7,100	7,200	+ 1.0	+ 1.4
Apparel..................	10,200	10,200	10,000	0.0	+ 2.0
Furniture & Lumber.......	6,800	6,800	6,200	0.0	+ 9.7
Paper....................	10,000	10,100	10,000	- 1.0	0.0
Printing & Publishing....	25,900	25,800	25,200	+ 0.4	+ 2.8
Chemicals................	22,500	22,300	21,600	+ 0.9	+ 4.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,300	13,400	12,200	- 0.8	+ 9.0
Other Nonmetallic Mfg....	10,900	11,100	11,300	- 0.9	- 3.5
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,055,200	1,048,700	1,034,700*	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Construction.............	51,000	53,000	51,100	- 3.8	- 0.2
Transportation...........	31,300	31,100	32,100	+ 0.6	- 2.5
Motor Freight & Warehsng	12,500	12,300	12,800	+ 1.6	- 2.3
Other Transportation....	18,800	18,800	19,300	0.0	- 2.6
Communications...........	18,200	18,100	18,500	+ 0.6	- 1.6
Utilities................	12,200	12,200	11,700	0.0	+ 4.3
Trade....................	324,100	317,300	317,200	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
Wholesale...............	80,500	80,000	80,000	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
Retail..................	243,600	237,300	237,200	+ 2.6	+ 2.7
General Merchandise....	39,900	36,500	36,900	+ 9.3	+ 8.1
Food Stores............	43,600	43,300	41,800	+ 0.7	+ 4.3
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	23,400	23,300	23,300	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
Restaurants............	69,900	69,600	68,300	+ 0.4	+ 2.3
Other Retail Trade.....	66,800	64,600	66,900	+ 3.4	- 0.2
Finance, Ins. & R.E......	118,900	118,300	114,400	+ 0.5	+ 3.9
Banking.................	28,900	28,700	27,800	+ 0.7	+ 4.0
Insurance...............	66,900	66,600	64,200	+ 0.4	+ 4.2
Real Estate.............	9,600	9,600	9,400	0.0	+ 2.1
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E..	13,500	13,400	13,000	+ 0.8	+ 3.8
Services.................	312,600	311,500	305,600*	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Hotels..................	6,900	7,000	7,000*	- 1.4	- 1.4
Personal Services.......	15,500	15,300	15,200	+ 1.3	+ 2.0
Business Services.......	65,200	64,800	62,300	+ 0.6	+ 4.6
Health Services.........	105,200	105,100	103,000	+ 0.1	+ 2.1
Law & Professional......	22,400	22,200	21,600	+ 1.8	+ 3.7
Educational Services....	30,400	29,900	30,400	+ 1.7	0.0
Other Services..........	67,000	67,200	66,100	- 0.3	+ 1.4
Government...............	186,900	187,200	184,100	- 0.2	+ 1.5
Federal.................	21,700	21,400	21,300	+ 1.4	+ 1.9
State & Local...........	165,200	165,800	162,800	+ 0.4	+ 1.5

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes
** Less than .05 percent
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EARNINGS AND HOURS - DECEMBER 1983

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$384.20	$378.59	$348.88	42.5	42.3	40.9	$9.04	$8.95	$8.53
Metallic Manufacturing......	400.69	395.47	361.32	42.9	42.8	41.2	9.34	9.24	8.77
Primary Metals.............	441.23	438.57	378.29	44.3	44.3	41.8	9.96	9.90	9.05
Fabricated Metals..........	356.17	353.63	317.56	42.3	42.3	40.3	8.42	8.36	7.88
Machinery..................	426.97	421.18	373.15	44.2	43.6	41.6	9.66	9.66	8.97
Electrical Equipment.......	322.28	320.12	291.51	41.8	41.9	40.6	7.71	7.64	7.18
Transportation Equipment...	486.78	473.03	447.02	42.7	42.5	41.7	11.40	11.13	10.72
Instruments & Clocks.......	383.21	374.41	331.14	44.2	44.1	42.4	8.67	8.49	7.81
Other Metallic Mfg.........	313.65	322.70	273.74	42.1	43.2	39.5	7.45	7.47	6.93
Nonmetallic Manufacturing...	345.28	341.96	317.97	41.6	41.3	40.3	8.30	8.28	7.89
Food.......................	346.93	351.51	314.79	41.4	41.5	40.1	8.38	8.47	7.85
Textiles...................	289.26	277.67	258.57	41.8	40.3	39.0	6.92	6.89	6.63
Apparel....................	213.18	217.35	188.80	37.4	37.8	36.1	5.70	5.75	5.23
Lumber & Furniture.........	288.23	281.57	259.16	42.2	41.9	41.4	6.83	6.72	6.26
Paper......................	444.13	425.45	395.50	46.8	45.6	45.2	9.49	9.33	8.75
Printing & Publishing......	334.90	330.88	329.24	38.1	37.6	37.8	8.79	8.80	8.71
Chemicals..................	438.01	435.11	410.12	42.9	42.7	42.9	10.21	10.19	9.56
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	316.40	314.58	293.66	42.3	42.0	39.9	7.48	7.49	7.36
Other Nonmetallic Mfg......	363.78	369.80	330.07	42.3	42.9	40.4	8.60	8.62	8.17
Construction................	595.16	608.40	528.75	38.2	39.1	37.5	15.58	15.56	14.10

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	Dec.	1983	Nov.	1983	Dec.	1982(R)
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	73,900	4.5	76,000	4.6	113,500	7.0
Seasonally Adjusted.....		(4.6)		(4.8)		(7.4)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia.................	1,000	6.4	1,200	7.7	1,700	10.7
Bridgeport..............	9,100	4.6	10,300	5.3	15,600	7.9
Bristol.................	2,000	5.5	2,000	5.6	4,300	12.3
Danbury.................	3,700	3.4	3,700	3.5	5,800	5.8
Danielson...............	1,700	5.7	1,800	5.8	3,100	10.8
Hartford................	17,400	4.4	17,100	4.3	23,800	6.1
Meriden.................	1,800	6.7	1,900	7.1	2,700	10.0
Middletown..............	2,900	4.9	3,000	5.0	3,800	6.4
New Britain.............	3,600	5.0	3,700	5.2	6,300	8.6
New Haven...............	9,800	4.9	10,300	5.1	14,100	7.0
New London/Norwich......	4,500	3.9	4,400	3.9	6,000	5.4
Norwalk.................	2,600	3.2	2,800	3.4	3,600	4.7
Stamford................	4,200	3.2	4,400	3.3	5,700	4.4
Torrington..............	2,900	7.1	2,700	6.6	4,900	11.5
Waterbury...............	5,600	5.2	5,700	5.4	10,900	10.3
Willimantic.............	1,100	4.1	1,000	3.5	1,200	4.6
U.S. Total-Actual........	8,992,000	8.0	9,129,000	8.1	11,628,000	10.5
Seasonally Adjusted.....		(8.2)		(8.4)		(10.7)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Dec. '83	Nov. '83	Dec. '82
All Items..............	303.5	303.1	292.4
Percent Change From....	xxx	+ 0.1	+ 3.8

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

				Percent Change to December 1983 from:	
Area	Dec.'83	Nov.'83	Dec.'82 (R)	Nov.'83	Dec.'82
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	7,720	7,640	7,860	+ 1.0	- 1.8
Manufacturing	2,250	2,210	2,240	+ 1.8	+ 0.4
Nonmanufacturing	5,470	5,430	5,620	+ 0.7	- 2.7
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	168,570*	167,920	169,220	+ 0.4	- 0.4
Manufacturing	58,650*	58,490	58,940	+ 0.3	- 0.5
Nonmanufacturing	109,920	109,430	110,280	+ 0.4	- 0.3
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,530	23,360	21,820	+ 0.7	+ 7.8
Manufacturing	9,300	9,240	8,020	+ 0.6	+ 16.0
Nonmanufacturing	14,230	14,120	13,800	+ 0.8	+ 3.1
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	75,510	74,610	72,170	+ 1.2	+ 4.6
Manufacturing	27,950	27,520	26,110	+ 1.6	+ 7.0
Nonmanufacturing	47,560	47,090	46,060	+ 1.0	+ 3.3
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,180	21,160	20,020	+ 0.1	+ 5.8
Manufacturing	9,850	9,730	9,090	+ 1.2	+ 8.4
Nonmanufacturing	11,330	11,430	10,930	- 0.9	+ 3.7
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	406,170*	404,240*	401,870*	+ 0.5	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	88,200	87,980	88,510*	+ 0.2	- 0.3
Nonmanufacturing	317,970*	316,260*	313,360	+ 0.5	+ 1.5
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,720	21,730	21,600	- 0.1	+ 0.6
Manufacturing	5,140	5,120	5,340	+ 0.4	- 3.7
Nonmanufacturing	16,580	16,610	16,260	- 0.2	+ 2.0
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	44,820	44,900	46,240	- 0.2	- 3.1
Manufacturing	13,800	13,810	14,980	- 0.1	- 7.9
Nonmanufacturing	31,020	31,090	31,260	- 0.2	- 0.8
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	60,010	59,490	60,430*	+ 0.9	- 0.7
Manufacturing	24,550	24,170	24,890*	+ 1.6	- 1.4
Nonmanufacturing	35,460	35,320	35,540	+ 0.4	- 0.2
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	188,440	186,760	190,120	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Manufacturing	38,430	37,650	38,950	+ 2.1	- 1.3
Nonmanufacturing	150,010	149,110	151,170	+ 0.6	- 0.8
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	98,670*	97,810	99,120	+ 0.9	- 0.4
Manufacturing	34,250*	34,300	35,850	- 0.1	- 4.5
Nonmanufacturing	64,420	63,510	63,270	+ 1.4	+ 1.8
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	65,840	65,780	64,200	+ 0.1	+ 2.6
Manufacturing	21,710	21,830	21,020	- 0.5	+ 3.3
Nonmanufacturing	44,130	43,950	43,180	+ 0.4	+ 2.2

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Dec.'83	Nov.'83	Dec.'82 (R)	Percent Change to December 1983 from: Nov.'83	Dec.'82
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	116,150	115,430*	115,240	+ 0.6	+ 0.8
Manufacturing	31,810	31,780	32,010	+ 0.1	- 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	84,340	83,650*	83,230	+ 0.8	+ 1.3
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,750	28,830	29,520	- 0.3	- 2.6
Manufacturing	9,220	9,180	9,560	+ 0.4	- 3.6
Nonmanufacturing	19,530	19,650	19,960	- 0.6	- 2.1
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	86,640	86,180*	83,690	+ 0.5	+ 3.5
Manufacturing	28,690	28,700	27,740	- 0.1	- 3.4
Nonmanufacturing	57,950	57,480*	55,950	+ 0.8	+ 3.6
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,120	22,080	21,500	- 4.3	- 1.8
Manufacturing	2,060	2,050	2,550	+ 0.5	- 19.2
Nonmanufacturing	19,060	20,030	18,950	- 4.8	- 4.5

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* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982	Dec. 1983	Nov. 1983	Dec. 1982
Ansonia	$452.09	$425.42	$409.26	46.8	44.5	43.4	$9.66	$9.56	$9.43
Bridgeport	405.83	403.94	360.45	42.9	42.7	40.5	9.46	9.46	8.90
Bristol	404.62	404.07	353.31	41.8	42.4	39.3	9.68	9.53	8.99
Danbury	370.20	375.37	335.26	43.4	43.8	42.6	8.53	8.57	7.87
Danielson	349.45	343.54 (R)	301.95	41.8	40.8 (R)	40.1	8.36	8.42 (R)	7.53
Hartford	415.04	407.35	379.35	42.7	42.3	41.1	9.72	9.63	9.23
Meriden	306.83	316.80	314.91	39.9	40.0	41.6	7.69	7.92	7.57
Middletown	410.86	392.18	363.37	42.4	41.9	40.6	9.69	9.36	8.95
New Britain	386.98	387.99	360.91	41.7	41.9	41.2	9.28	9.26	8.76
New Haven	370.72	366.54	327.53	41.1	41.0	39.7	9.02	8.94	8.25
New London/ Norwich	415.65	416.90	378.98	41.9	41.9	41.6	9.92	9.95	9.11
Norwalk	429.78	411.52	365.48	47.7	46.5	44.3	9.01	8.85	8.25
Stamford	360.80	354.44	333.56	41.0	40.6	39.9	8.80	8.73	8.36
Torrington	283.85	283.56	241.28	40.9	40.8	37.7	6.94	6.95	6.40
Waterbury	333.25	337.25 (R)	290.69	43.0	44.2 (R)	41.0	7.75	7.63 (R)	7.09
Willimantic	321.08	317.29	272.28	39.3	38.6	40.1	8.17	8.22	6.79

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment	
	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1982						
Jan....	1414.4	1430.3	8581	6400	7.3	6.5
Feb....	1412.4	1431.5	5890	6930	7.3	6.7
Mar....	1417.2	1427.0	5394	7369	7.1	6.8
Apr....	1424.5	1425.3	6211	7045	6.8	6.9
May....	1433.8	1425.4	6148	7920	6.6	6.9
Jun....	1441.8	1425.3	7493	7372	6.8	6.6
Jul....	1416.9	1428.3	10612	6958	7.0	6.6
Aug....	1407.4	1425.7	6742	6728	6.7	6.5
Sep....	1429.5	1424.4	6314	9088	6.5	7.2
Oct....	1431.6	1422.4	6560	8741	6.9	7.7
Nov....	1436.1	1422.4	7771	9115	6.8	7.4
Dec....	1439.9	1419.9	11922	7651	7.0	7.4
1983						
Jan....	1404.8	1420.4	10813	8063	8.3	7.2
Feb....	1402.8	1421.3	5308	6245	8.2	7.4
Mar....	1407.7	1417.6	4562	6232	7.9	7.8
Apr....	1419.7	1419.7	5046	5721	7.0	7.4
May....	1432.8	1424.3	4277	5512	6.3	7.0
Jun....	1440.1	1423.0	5352	5268	6.4	6.4
Jul....	1419.8	1431.2	7784	5104	6.3	6.1
Aug....	1407.0	1425.5	4553	4544	5.3	5.3
Sep....	1442.1	1436.4	3477	5003	4.9	5.2
Oct....	1449.7	1441.1	3620	4827	4.7	5.0
Nov....	1457.7	1443.3	3815	4472	4.6	4.8
Dec....	1467.0	1446.7	9006	5747	4.5	4.6

	Personal Income Millions	New Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Seasonally Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1982							
Jan....	3540.0	6380	7798	40.9	40.6	117.0	112.5
Feb....	3559.9	4919	6632	40.8	40.8	115.0	111.2
Mar....	3578.7	9368	7369	40.9	40.8	115.3	110.4
Apr....	3592.3	5286	5234	40.6	40.8	113.6	110.2
May....	3612.4	8632	8190	40.5	40.6	112.8	109.8
Jun....	3626.7	9845	9025	40.2	40.3	111.3	107.6
Jul....	3666.4	8391	8608	40.0	40.3	93.1	105.1
Aug....	3687.4	11219	10273	40.0	40.3	93.0	105.4
Sep....	3714.0	3754	4163	40.1	40.3	108.2	106.7
Oct....	3735.9	9056	9018	40.1	40.2	107.7	105.6
Nov....	3762.1	14799	14805	40.7	40.3	109.7	105.8
Dec....	3785.9	11115	10912	40.9	40.3	99.3	104.7
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	12197	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	10811	39.4	39.4	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6503	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	8371	41.1	41.2	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9430	41.1	41.3	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11984	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	7221	41.3	41.3	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10845	41.5	41.9	98.4	111.9
Sep....	3969.6	12105	13818	41.8	42.1	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	9570	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	13887	42.3	41.9	120.7	116.4
Dec....	4071.6	9394	9103	42.5	41.8	110.5	116.6

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Employment in Connecticut declined in January, primarily because of seasonal cutbacks in construction and wholesale and retail trade, and unemployment increased from December, according to State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro. Both indicators, however, showed considerable improvement from January 1983.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Employment in nonfarm categories dropped by 2.6 percent from a revised December estimate of 1,484,600 to 1,446,700 in January which was 3.1 percent higher than the January 1983 employment level of 1,403,700 (page 2). Seasonal reductions in construction (11.9 percent) and post-holiday cutbacks in trade (5.7 percent) and hotels (5.3 percent) accounted for most of the monthly decline. Employment levels in non-manufacturing areas were all higher than a year earlier. Each of the labor market areas had lower monthly employment (pages 5 & 6).

Average hourly earnings of production workers increased by three cents from December to a record high of $9.07, up 53-cents from $8.54 paid in January last year (page 3). A seasonal reduction in the workweek from 42.5 hours in December to 42.2 in January accounted for a $1.45 drop in average weekly earnings to $382.75. Highest weekly wages were earned in the Norwalk, Ansonia, New London/Norwich, Bristol, Hartford and Middletown areas (page 6). Computed on a straight-time, 40-hour workweek basis, statewide hourly and weekly wages increased to $8.66 and $346.40, respectively, 4.7 percent above the $8.27 hourly and $330.80 weekly last year.

Unemployment: Seasonal closings and post-holiday layoffs contributed to a 4,300 increase in unemployment to 84,200 in January for a 5.3 percent actual rate which compared with December's revised figure of 79,900 or 4.9 percent (page 4). However, the January seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 4.6 percent from 5.1 percent in December and remained well below the national estimate of 8 percent. Unemployment was up in 13 areas, lower in Stamford and Willimantic and unchanged in Hartford. The unemployment rate includes people receiving unemployment benefits, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired, those entering or reentering the labor force and workers who are not entitled to wages during temporary closings. There were an estimated 38,000 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits in mid-January.

Other Indicators: Seasonally adjusted economic indicators (page 7) were mixed in January with manufacturing output and average workweek hours unchanged, lower first-time claims filings and the unemployment rate. Personal income of state residents once again increased to a new all-time high.

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NOTE: Annual revisions are based on updated data developed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). In addition, manufacturing and non-manufacturing employment categories have been redesignated durable and nondurable to comply with BLS reporting requirements.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

		January 1984			
	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983(R)	Jan. 1983(R)	% Change Jan. '84 over Dec. '83	% Change Jan. '84 over Jan. '83
Total Nonag. Employment	1,446,700*	1,484,600*	1,403,700*	- 2.6	+ 3.1
Manufacturing	410,300*	410,700*	402,600*	- 0.1	+ 1.9
Durable	306,500*	306,100*	303,300*	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Lumber & Furniture	6,500	6,600	5,900	- 1.5	+ 10.2
Primary Metals	17,000	16,900	16,300	+ 0.6	+ 4.3
Fabricated Metals	56,900	56,700	55,000	+ 0.4	+ 3.5
Machinery exc. Elec.	47,700*	47,600	47,700*	+ 0.2	0.0
Electrical Equipment	53,300	53,200	49,200	+ 0.2	+ 8.3
Transportation Equip.	82,100*	81,700*	86,500	+ 0.5	- 5.1
Instruments & Clocks	28,100	28,200	27,300	- 0.4	+ 2.9
Other Durable	14,900	15,200	15,400	- 2.0	- 3.2
Nondurable	103,800	104,600	99,300	- 0.8	+ 4.5
Food	14,100	14,200	13,000	- 0.7	+ 8.5
Textiles	7,000	7,100	6,700	- 1.4	+ 4.5
Apparel	9,900	10,200	9,200	- 2.9	+ 7.6
Paper	10,200	10,300	10,300	- 1.0	- 1.0
Printing & Publishing	25,600	25,900	24,600	- 1.2	+ 4.1
Chemicals	22,300	22,400	21,900	- 0.4	+ 1.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics	12,900	12,800	12,100	+ 0.8	+ 6.6
Other Nondurable	1,800	1,700	1,500	+ 5.9	+ 20.0
Nonmanufacturing	1,036,400	1,073,900	1,001,100	- 3.5	+ 3.5
Construction & Mining	50,200	57,000	47,200	- 11.9	+ 6.4
Transportation	30,600	32,100	30,100	- 4.7	+ 1.7
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	11,900	12,900	11,600	- 7.8	+ 2.6
Other Transportation	18,700	19,200	18,500	- 2.6	+ 1.1
Communications	19,100	18,900	18,800	+ 1.1	+ 1.6
Utilities	12,500	12,500	12,200	0.0	+ 2.5
Trade	308,400	327,200	298,400	- 5.7	+ 3.4
Wholesale	72,200	75,400	71,300	- 4.2	+ 1.3
Retail	236,200	251,800	227,100	- 6.2	+ 4.0
General Merchandise	34,300	38,600	32,600	- 11.1	+ 5.2
Food Stores	42,500	44,100	39,800	- 3.6	+ 6.8
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta.	25,700	26,000	24,700	- 1.2	+ 4.0
Restaurants	67,600	71,900	65,200	- 6.0	+ 3.7
Other Retail Trade	66,100	71,200	64,800	- 7.2	+ 2.0
Finance, Ins. & R.E.	119,700	120,100	114,600	- 0.3	+ 4.4
Banking	27,500	27,400	27,200	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Insurance	68,300	68,600	65,300	- 0.4	+ 4.6
Real Estate	10,000	10,200	9,200	- 2.0	+ 8.7
Other Fin.,Ins.& R.E.	13,900	13,900	12,900	0.0	+ 7.8
Services	314,300	320,100	299,800	- 1.8	+ 4.8
Hotels	7,100	7,500	6,300	- 5.3	+ 12.7
Personal Services	15,500	15,400	15,000	+ 0.6	+ 3.3
Business Services	64,400	65,700	59,800	- 2.0	+ 7.7
Health Services	107,200	107,500	103,400	- 0.3	+ 3.7
Law & Professional	22,600	22,600	21,400	0.0	+ 5.6
Educational Services	31,200	32,400	29,800	- 3.7	+ 4.7
Other Services	66,300	69,000	64,100	- 3.9	+ 3.4
Government	181,600	186,000	180,000	- 2.4	+ 0.9
Federal	21,600	22,100	21,400	- 2.3	+ 0.9
State & Local	160,000	163,900	158,600	- 2.4	+ 0.9

*Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - JANUARY 1984

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983	Jan. 1983	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983	Jan. 1983	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983	Jan. 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$382.75	$384.20	$347.58	42.2	42.5	40.7	$9.07	$9.04	$8.54
Durable Manufacturing.......	394.90	396.83	357.11	42.6	42.9	41.0	9.27	9.25	8.71
Lumber & Furniture.........	274.32	288.23	250.49	40.7	42.2	39.2	6.74	6.83	6.39
Primary Metals.............	443.89	441.23	375.99	44.3	44.3	41.5	10.02	9.96	9.06
Fabricated Metals..........	355.73	356.17	317.19	41.9	42.3	40.1	8.49	8.42	7.91
Machinery..................	433.79	426.97	376.06	44.4	44.2	41.6	9.77	9.66	9.04
Electrical Equipment.......	323.05	322.28	292.09	41.9	41.8	40.4	7.71	7.71	7.23
Transportation Equipment...	470.25	486.78	438.19	41.8	42.7	41.3	11.25	11.40	10.61
Instruments & Clocks.......	380.19	383.21	346.18	43.6	44.2	43.6	8.72	8.67	7.94
Other Durable Mfg..........	370.92	356.50	322.64	44.0	42.9	41.1	8.43	8.31	7.85
Nondurable Manufacturing....	344.35	345.27	318.39	40.8	41.3	39.7	8.44	8.36	8.02
Food.......................	354.46	346.93	312.84	41.8	41.4	39.7	8.48	8.38	7.88
Textiles...................	281.36	289.26	247.50	40.6	41.8	37.5	6.93	6.92	6.60
Apparel....................	210.03	213.18	194.39	36.4	37.4	36.2	5.77	5.70	5.37
Paper......................	432.29	444.13	388.86	45.6	46.8	44.8	9.48	9.49	8.68
Printing & Publishing......	331.14	334.90	323.02	37.6	38.1	37.3	8.86	8.79	8.66
Chemicals..................	440.41	438.01	410.98	42.8	42.9	42.5	10.29	10.21	9.67
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	315.84	316.40	293.66	42.0	42.3	39.9	7.52	7.48	7.36
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	262.36	251.85	244.12	36.9	36.5	35.9	7.11	6.90	6.80
Construction................	579.27	595.16	545.52	37.3	38.2	37.7	15.53	15.58	14.47

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	Jan.	1984	Dec.	1983(R)	Jan.	1983(R)
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	84,200	5.3	79,900	4.9	128,600	8.1
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.6)		(5.1)		(7.0)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,400	8.5	1,100	6.6	2,800	15.8
Bridgeport.............	11,300	6.0	9,800	5.1	18,000	9.4
Bristol................	2,200	6.4	2,200	6.2	4,600	13.6
Danbury................	4,000	4.0	3,900	3.8	7,000	7.2
Danielson..............	2,200	7.6	1,900	6.3	3,800	13.1
Hartford...............	18,600	4.8	18,800	4.8	27,300	7.1
Meriden................	2,200	8.3	2,000	7.0	2,900	10.6
Middletown.............	3,300	5.8	3,100	5.2	4,000	6.9
New Britain............	4,700	6.8	3,900	5.5	6,700	9.4
New Haven..............	11,400	5.7	10,700	5.3	16,300	8.3
New London/Norwich.....	4,900	4.3	4,900	4.2	6,400	5.9
Norwalk................	3,200	4.1	2,800	3.5	4,400	5.8
Stamford...............	4,300	3.5	4,500	3.6	6,100	5.0
Torrington.............	3,200	8.2	3,200	7.8	5,500	13.5
Waterbury..............	6,400	6.2	6,100	5.7	11,600	11.0
Willimantic............	900	3.6	1,000	3.8	1,200	5.1
U.S. Total-Actual........	9,755,000	8.8	8,992,000	8.0	12,517,000	11.4
Seasonally Adjusted......		(8.0)		(8.2)		(10.4)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Jan. '84	Dec. '83	Jan. '83
All Items.............	305.2	303.5	293.1
Percent Change From....	xxx	+0.6	+4.1

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Jan.'84	Dec.'83 (R)	Jan.'83 (R)	Percent Change to January 1984 from: Dec.'83	Jan.'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,320	8,540	8,520	- 2.6	- 2.3
Manufacturing	2,930	2,960	3,130	- 1.0	- 6.4
Nonmanufacturing	5,390	5,580	5,390	- 3.4	0.0
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	165,430	171,820*	163,570	- 3.7	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	59,230	59,000*	58,540	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
Nonmanufacturing	106,200	112,820	105,030	- 5.9	+ 1.1
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,770	23,130	21,060	- 1.6	+ 8.1
Manufacturing	9,010	8,970	7,580	+ 0.4	+ 18.9
Nonmanufacturing	13,760	14,160	13,480	- 2.8	+ 2.1
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	73,020	74,960	68,970	- 2.6	+ 5.9
Manufacturing	27,320	27,340	25,600	- 0.1	+ 6.7
Nonmanufacturing	45,700	47,620	43,370	- 4.0	+ 5.4
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	20,780	21,810	19,860	- 4.7	+ 4.6
Manufacturing	10,080	10,110	9,050	- 0.3	+ 11.4
Nonmanufacturing	10,700	11,700	10,810	- 8.5	- 1.0
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	403,500	410,720	396,470	- 1.8	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	87,770	87,460	88,370	+ 0.4	- 0.7
Nonmanufacturing	315,730	323,260	308,100	- 2.3	+ 2.5
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,250	23,250	21,820	- 4.3	+ 2.0
Manufacturing	5,240	5,380	5,380	- 2.6	- 2.6
Nonmanufacturing	17,010	17,870	16,440	- 4.8	+ 3.5
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	43,770	47,080	45,520	- 7.0	- 3.8
Manufacturing	14,560	14,600	15,410	- 0.3	- 5.5
Nonmanufacturing	29,210	32,480	30,110	- 10.1	- 3.0
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	58,660	60,590	59,030	- 3.2	- 0.6
Manufacturing	24,300	24,320	23,840	- 0.1	+ 1.9
Nonmanufacturing	34,360	36,270	35,190	- 5.3	- 2.4
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	192,670	195,950	185,560	- 1.7	+ 3.8
Manufacturing	39,070	39,240	38,620	- 0.4	+ 1.2
Nonmanufacturing	153,600	156,710	146,940	- 2.0	+ 4.5
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	101,080	103,920	97,690	- 2.7	+ 3.5
Manufacturing	34,880	34,800	35,530	+ 0.2	- 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	66,200	69,120	62,160	- 4.2	+ 6.5
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	65,840	67,700	63,800	- 2.7	+ 3.2
Manufacturing	22,080	22,150	21,540	- 0.3	+ 2.5
Nonmanufacturing	43,760	45,550	42,260	- 3.9	+ 3.5

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Jan.'84	Dec.'83 (R)	Jan.'83 (R)	Percent Change to January 1984 from: Dec.'83	Jan.'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	112,210	114,270	110,460	- 1.8	+ 1.6
Manufacturing	30,780	30,870	31,160	- 0.3	- 1.2
Nonmanufacturing	81,430	83,400	79,300	- 2.4	+ 2.7
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	27,640	28,820	27,610	- 4.1	+ 0.1
Manufacturing	8,720	8,840	8,820	- 1.4	- 1.1
Nonmanufacturing	18,920	19,980	18,790	- 5.3	+ 0.7
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	85,820	88,010*	82,860	- 2.5	+ 3.6
Manufacturing	29,510	29,310*	28,030	+ 0.7	+ 5.3
Nonmanufacturing	56,310	58,700	54,830	- 4.1	+ 2.7
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	19,700	22,710	18,540	- 13.3	+ 6.3
Manufacturing	2,360	2,380	2,550	- 0.8	- 7.5
Nonmanufacturing	17,340	20,330	15,990	- 14.7	+ 8.4

(R) Revised
* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983	Jan. 1983	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983	Jan. 1983	Jan. 1984	Dec. 1983	Jan. 1983
Ansonia	$420.64	$452.09	$391.53	43.5	46.8	42.1	$9.67	$9.66	$9.30
Bridgeport	393.54	405.83	363.45	41.6	42.9	40.7	9.46	9.46	8.93
Bristol	407.95	404.62	361.20	41.5	41.8	40.0	9.83	9.68	9.03
Danbury	368.08	370.20	333.52	43.0	43.4	41.9	8.56	8.53	7.96
Danielson	320.39	349.45	292.99	39.8	41.8	38.5	8.05	8.36	7.61
Hartford	405.88	415.04	375.77	41.8	42.7	40.8	9.71	9.72	9.21
Meriden	290.16	306.83	307.89	39.0	39.9	40.3	7.44	7.69	7.64
Middletown	379.66	410.86	356.18	41.0	42.4	39.4	9.26	9.69	9.04
New Britain	373.22	386.98	362.44	40.7	41.7	41.0	9.17	9.28	8.84
New Haven	356.60	370.72	323.98	39.8	41.1	38.8	8.96	9.02	8.35
New London/ Norwich	408.77	415.65	381.06	41.0	41.9	41.6	9.97	9.92	9.16
Norwalk	425.35	429.78	369.60	47.0	47.7	44.0	9.05	9.01	8.40
Stamford	358.35	360.80	331.06	40.4	41.0	39.6	8.87	8.80	8.36
Torrington	283.85	283.85	238.82	40.9	40.9	37.2	6.94	6.94	6.42
Waterbury	329.99	333.25	296.30	42.8	43.0	40.7	7.71	7.75	7.28
Willimantic	323.90	321.08	279.86	39.5	39.3	41.4	8.20	8.17	6.76

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment	
	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)
1983						
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2
Feb....	1399.0	1420.8	5308	6472	7.6	6.9
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1
1984						
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6
Feb....						
Mar....						
Apr....						
May....						
Jun....						
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

	Personal Income Millions	New Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Seasonally Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	3969.6	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	4071.6	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984							
Jan....	4116.3	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....							
Mar....							
Apr....							
May....							
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

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Unemployment Benefit Financing Data

This issue of the monthly Labor Situation begins carrying data on the unemployment compensation financing system in Connecticut. Monies collected for the program have been inadequate to cover the effects of recessions and inflation during the past decade resulting in state trust fund indebtedness, as well as a reduction in the tax credit normally allowed employers against their federal unemployment taxes. In addition, it has necessitated a special state assessment for employers to cover interest payments each September 30 on federal loans taken after March 31, 1982. Previous federal loans were interest-free.

Several data series will now begin appearing monthly: the average weekly number of insured unemployed, the dollar amount paid to claimants, contributions received from employers, loans, repayments and the balance in the state's unemployment trust fund.

Average weekly insured unemployment excludes former federal employees and recently separated veterans whose benefit payments are financed by the federal government, but it does include people filing "reimbursable claims." The latter are employees separated from state and local government and non-profit organizations. Charges for these benefits, which represent about three percent of the claims activity, are billed to and paid directly by those employers, dollar-for-dollar. Excluded is the current Federal Supplemental Compensation which is entirely financed by federal funds. Thus, this data covers claims for the regular 26-week period of eligibility for benefits.

Data on unemployment payments includes the amount of benefits charged to the state's trust fund and excludes the previously mentioned "reimbursable claims" and federally financed benefits paid to federal employees, veterans and Federal Supplemental Compensation.

Figures on employer contributions represent cash payments received during the year and are not equal to collections due for that tax year. Employer liability for contributions is incurred for each calendar quarter during which wages are paid. These contributions are due on the last day of the month following each quarter. For that reason, revenue for a tax year is more accurately estimated by total receipts from April through March the following year.

Other data shows the year and amount of loans advanced from the federal trust, loan repayments, employer federal tax credits, total loans outstanding and the current balance in the state's Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund. Since some of these figures are based on U.S. Department of Labor data, there will be a two to three month delay before they appear in the table.

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	$19,100e	$ 7,279p
Feb			
Mar			
Apr			
May			
Jun			
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

Federal Loans (000)	
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

Direct Loan Repayments (000)	
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)	
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (12/31/83)

Non-interest bearing:
$216,469,229
Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (12/31/83)
$53,509,986

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Improvements in Connecticut's economy were recorded during February when employment was up, unemployment decreased and factory wages and personal income set new record highs, State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro reports.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Nonfarm employment increased to 1,447,400 (page 2), a monthly gain of 700 and 48,400 more jobs than February last year. Manufacturing employment was 800 higher than January and 10,500 above the same month in 1983, and there was a 100 drop in the nonmanufacturing sector. The largest manufacturing increases were in electrical equipment and fabricated metals. Seasonal influences were evident in construction, trade and services where employment declined over the month. Compared with February 1983, however, construction was up by 3,700 jobs; trade, 11,800; business and health services, each 4,200 higher, and there was a 3,400 increase in insurance employment.

Earnings of factory production workers set new record highs of $387.60 weekly and $9.12 per hour for a slightly longer workweek of 42.5 hours (page 3). This February's weekly wage was 15.6 percent above last year and hourly earnings were up by 4.6 percent. There was little monthly change in February straight time earnings of $8.68 hourly and $347.20 weekly which were 4.3 percent higher than in 1983. The highest weekly wages were paid to workers in the New London/Norwich labor market area, $433.41, followed by Bristol, $431; Ansonia, $423.20; Norwalk, $416.26; Hartford, $410.18 and Bridgeport, $404.70 (page 6).

Unemployment: Statewide unemployment was estimated at 82,100 or 5.2 percent, down 2,100 from January when the rate was 5.3 percent (page 4). The seasonally adjusted rate of 4.6 percent was unchanged and the lowest since March 1970. Both the actual and seasonally adjusted rates continued below the national figures of 8.4 and 7.8 percent, respectively. Unemployment was down in 10 labor market areas, and increased in six and substantially under 1983's experience when five labor markets had double digit rates. There were an estimated 37,600 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits in mid-February. For 1983, only four states had lower jobless rates than Connecticut's annual average of 6 percent. They were Nebraska (5.7 percent), North Dakota (5.6 percent) and New Hampshire and South Dakota (each with 5.4 percent).

Other Indicators: Elsewhere in the state's economy (page 7), there was a significant increase in new automobile registrations, manufacturing output advanced and new filings for unemployment benefits dropped. Personal income of state residents rose in February to a new monthly high of more than $4-billion, 148-million.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

February 1984

	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983(R)	% Change Feb. '84 over Jan. '84	% Change Feb. '84 over Feb. '83
Total Nonag. Employment	1,447,400*	1,446,700*	1,399,000*	0.0**	+ 3.5
Manufacturing	411,100*	410,300*	400,600*	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
Durable	307,400*	306,500*	301,000*	+ 0.3	+ 2.1
Lumber & Furniture	6,600	6,500	5,900	+ 1.5	+ 11.9
Primary Metals	17,000	17,000	16,200	0.0	+ 4.9
Fabricated Metals	57,400	56,900	54,800	+ 0.9	+ 4.7
Machinery exc. Elec.	48,100	47,700*	47,200*	+ 0.8	+ 1.9
Electrical Equipment	53,800*	53,300	49,300	+ 0.9	+ 9.1
Transportation Equipment	81,500*	82,100*	85,500	- 0.7	- 4.7
Instruments & Clocks	28,100	28,100	27,000	0.0	+ 4.1
Other Durable	14,900	14,900	15,100	0.0	- 1.3
Nondurable	103,700	103,800	99,600	- 0.1	+ 4.1
Food	13,700	14,100	12,700	- 2.8	+ 7.9
Textiles	7,000	7,000	6,700	0.0	+ 4.5
Apparel	10,100	9,900	9,500	+ 2.0	+ 6.3
Paper	10,200	10,200	10,300	0.0	- 1.0
Printing & Publishing	25,800	25,600	24,600	+ 0.8	+ 4.9
Chemicals	22,300	22,300	21,900	0.0	+ 1.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics	12,800	12,900	12,300	- 0.8	+ 4.1
Other Nondurable	1,800	1,800	1,600	0.0	+ 12.5
Nonmanufacturing	1,036,300	1,036,400	998,400*	0.0**	+ 3.8
Construction & Mining	48,700	50,200	45,000	- 3.0	+ 8.2
Transportation	30,800	30,600	30,200	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Motor Freight & Warehsng.	11,900	11,900	11,800	0.0	+ 0.9
Other Transportation	18,900	18,700	18,400	+ 1.1	+ 2.7
Communications	19,100	19,100	18,700	0.0	+ 2.1
Utilities	12,500	12,500	12,200	0.0	+ 2.5
Trade	306,200	308,400	294,400	- 0.7	+ 4.0
Wholesale	72,000	72,200	70,900*	- 0.3	+ 1.6
Retail	234,200	236,200	223,500	- 0.8	+ 4.8
General Merchandise	32,600	34,300	29,800	- 5.0	+ 9.4
Food Stores	42,500	42,500	39,500	0.0	+ 7.6
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta.	25,400	25,700	24,400	- 1.2	+ 4.1
Restaurants	68,800	67,600	66,200	+ 1.8	+ 3.9
Other Retail Trade	64,900	66,100	63,600	- 1.8	+ 2.0
Finance, Ins. & R.E.	119,600	119,700	114,300	- 0.1	+ 4.6
Banking	27,500	27,500	27,200	0.0	+ 1.1
Insurance	68,400	68,300	65,000	+ 0.1	+ 5.2
Real Estate	9,900	10,000	9,200	- 1.0	+ 7.6
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E.	13,800	13,900	12,900	- 0.7	+ 7.0
Services	313,800	314,300	298,400	- 0.2	+ 5.2
Hotels	7,100	7,100	6,300	0.0	+ 12.7
Personal Services	15,600	15,500	15,000	+ 0.6	+ 4.0
Business Services	64,200	64,400	60,000	- 0.3	+ 7.0
Health Services	107,200	107,200	103,000	0.0	+ 4.1
Law & Professional	22,600	22,600	21,400	0.0	+ 5.6
Educational Services	31,500	31,200	28,700	+ 1.0	+ 9.8
Other Services	65,600	66,300	64,000	- 1.1	+ 2.3
Government	185,600	181,600	185,200	+ 2.2	+ 0.2
Federal	21,400	21,600	21,400	- 0.9	0.0
State & Local	164,200	160,000	163,800	+ 2.6	+ 0.2

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
** Less than 0.05 percent.
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EARNINGS AND HOURS - FEBRUARY 1984
Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$387.60	$382.75	$335.29	42.5	42.2	39.4	$9.12	$9.07	$8.51
Durable Manufacturing.......	400.33	394.90	342.94	43.0	42.6	39.6	9.31	9.27	8.66
Lumber & Furniture.........	276.89	274.32	254.54	40.6	40.7	39.1	6.82	6.74	6.51
Primary Metals.............	441.67	443.89	379.39	44.3	44.3	41.6	9.97	10.02	9.12
Fabricated Metals..........	363.38	355.73	307.30	42.5	41.9	38.8	8.55	8.49	7.92
Machinery..................	432.08	433.79	365.72	44.0	44.4	40.5	9.82	9.77	9.03
Electrical Equipment.......	322.76	323.05	284.47	41.7	41.9	39.4	7.74	7.71	7.22
Transportation Equipment...	489.19	470.25	408.06	43.1	41.8	38.9	11.35	11.25	10.49
Instruments & Clocks.......	387.15	380.19	334.82	44.5	43.6	41.8	8.70	8.72	8.01
Other Durable Mfg..........	374.29	370.92	316.01	44.4	44.0	39.9	8.43	8.43	7.92
Nondurable Manufacturing....	349.35	344.35	311.15	41.1	40.8	38.7	8.50	8.44	8.04
Food.......................	369.36	354.46	313.22	42.7	41.8	39.3	8.65	8.48	7.97
Textiles...................	272.34	281.36	244.12	39.7	40.6	36.6	6.86	6.93	6.67
Apparel....................	213.44	210.03	189.46	36.8	36.4	34.7	5.80	5.77	5.46
Paper......................	441.75	432.29	375.41	46.5	45.6	43.4	9.50	9.48	8.65
Printing & Publishing......	341.10	331.14	311.40	37.9	37.6	36.0	9.00	8.86	8.65
Chemicals..................	442.12	440.41	401.57	42.8	42.8	41.7	10.33	10.29	9.63
Rubber & Misc..............	317.52	315.84	286.77	42.0	42.0	38.7	7.56	7.52	7.41
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	263.84	262.36	251.34	36.9	36.9	36.8	7.15	7.11	6.83
Construction................	594.59	579.27	524.52	37.8	37.3	36.4	15.73	15.53	14.41

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	Feb.	1984	Jan.	1984 (R)	Feb.	1983 (R)
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	82,100	5.2	84.200	5.3	120,300	7.6
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.6)		(4.6)		(6.9)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,300	8.1	1,400	8.5	1,900	11.4
Bridgeport.............	10,400	5.6	11,300	6.0	15,900	8.4
Bristol................	2,100	6.3	2,200	6.4	4,200	12.7
Danbury................	4,400	4.3	4,000	4.0	6,800	7.1
Danielson..............	2,400	8.2	2,200	7.6	3,700	12.6
Hartford...............	18,700	4.9	18,600	4.8	27,200	7.1
Meriden................	1,800	6.9	2,200	8.3	2,800	10.5
Middletown.............	3,100	5.4	3,300	5.8	3,800	6.5
New Britain............	4,200	6.0	4,700	6.8	6,100	8.8
New Haven..............	10,800	5.4	11,400	5.7	15,000	7.6
New London/Norwich.....	4,800	4.1	4,900	4.3	6,200	5.7
Norwalk................	3,600	4.5	3,200	4.1	4,100	5.3
Stamford...............	4,400	3.5	4,300	3.4	6,000	4.9
Torrington.............	3,200	8.3	3,200	8.2	5,200	12.9
Waterbury..............	6,000	5.9	6,400	6.2	10,000	9.7
Willimantic............	900	3.3	900	3.6	1,400	5.3
U.S. Total-Actual........	9,407,000	8.4	9,755,000	8.8	12,382,000	11.3
Seasonally Adjusted......		(7.8)		(8.0)		(10.4)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
(R) Revised

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Feb. '84	Jan. '84	Feb. '83
All Items.............	306.6	305.2	293.2
Percent Change From....	xxx	+0.5	+4.6

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-**The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.**

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT — BY PLACE OF WORK

				Percent Change to February 1984 from:	
Area	Feb.'84	Jan.'84	Feb.'83 (R)	Jan.'84	Feb.'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,330	8,320	8,430	+ 0.1	- 1.2
Manufacturing	2,950	2,930	3,070	+ 0.7	- 3.9
Nonmanufacturing	5,380	5,390	5,360	- 0.2	+ 0.4
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	164,700	165,430	162,780	- 0.4	+ 1.2
Manufacturing	59,380	59,230	58,240	+ 0.2	+ 2.0
Nonmanufacturing	105,320	106,200	104,540	- 0.8	+ 0.8
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,750	22,770	20,810	- 0.9	+ 9.3
Manufacturing	9,150	9,010	7,610	+ 1.6	+ 20.2
Nonmanufacturing	13,600	13,760	13,200	- 1.2	+ 3.0
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	73,090	73,020	68,360	+ 0.1	+ 6.9
Manufacturing	27,640	27,320	25,350	+ 1.2	+ 9.0
Nonmanufacturing	45,450	45,700	43,010	- 0.5	+ 5.7
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	20,820	20,880 (R)	19,660	- 0.3	+ 5.9
Manufacturing	10,040	10,080	8,940	- 0.4	+ 12.3
Nonmanufacturing	10,780	10,800 (R)	10,720	- 0.2	+ 0.6
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	402,360	403,500	395,010	- 0.3	+ 1.9
Manufacturing	87,720	87,770	87,670	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Nonmanufacturing	314,640	315,730	307,340	- 0.3	+ 2.4
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,110	22,250	21,590	- 0.6	+ 2.4
Manufacturing	5,260	5,240	5,290	+ 0.4	- 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	16,850	17,010	16,300	- 0.9	+ 3.4
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	44,810	44,240 (R)	45,470	+ 1.3	- 1.5
Manufacturing	14,550	14,560	15,250	- 0.1	- 4.6
Nonmanufacturing	30,260	29,680 (R)	30,220	+ 2.0	+ 0.1
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	58,710	58,660	58,090	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	24,220	24,300	23,720	- 0.3	+ 2.1
Nonmanufacturing	34,490	34,360	34,370	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	193,100	192,670	184,910	+ 0.2	+ 4.4
Manufacturing	39,060	39,070	38,430	0.0	+ 1.6
Nonmanufacturing	154,040	153,600	146,480	+ 0.3	+ 5.2
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	101,410	101,080	97,290	+ 0.3	+ 4.2
Manufacturing	35,200	34,880	35,390	+ 0.9	- 0.5
Nonmanufacturing	66,210	66,200	61,900	+ 0.1	+ 6.9
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	65,740	65,840	63,550	- 0.2	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	22,110	22,080	21,390	+ 0.1	+ 3.4
Nonmanufacturing	43,630	43,760	42,160	- 0.3	+ 3.5

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Feb.'84	Jan.'84	Feb.'83 (R)	Percent Change to February 1984 from: Jan.'84	Percent Change to February 1984 from: Feb.'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	111,740	112,210	109,530	- 0.4	+ 2.0
Manufacturing	30,940	30,780	30,970	+ 0.5	- 0.1
Nonmanufacturing	80,800	81,430	78,560	- 0.8	+ 2.9
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	27,440	27,640	27,250	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Manufacturing	8,880	8,720	8,800	+ 1.8	+ 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	18,560	18,920	18,450	- 1.9	+ 0.6
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	85,840	85,820	82,340	+ 0.2	+ 4.3
Manufacturing	29,920	29,510	27,930	+ 1.4	+ 7.1
Nonmanufacturing	55,920	56,310	54,410	- 0.7	+ 2.8
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,500	19,700	21,880	+ 14.2	+ 2.8
Manufacturing	2,350	2,360	2,590	- 0.4	- 9.3
Nonmanufacturing	20,150	17,340	19,290	+ 16.2	+ 4.5

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Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983	Feb. 1984	Jan. 1984	Feb. 1983
Ansonia	$423.20	$420.64	$382.54	43.9	43.5	41.4	$9.64	$9.67	$9.24
Bridgeport	404.70	393.54	358.70	42.6	41.6	39.9	9.50	9.46	8.99
Bristol	431.00	407.95	349.98	43.1	41.5	38.0	10.00	9.83	9.21
Danbury	378.35	368.08	328.39	44.2	43.0	41.1	8.56	8.56	7.99
Danielson	319.59	320.39	279.19	40.2	39.8	36.4	7.95	8.05	7.67
Hartford	410.18	405.88	347.47	42.2	41.8	38.1	9.72	9.71	9.12
Meriden	314.47	290.16	297.04	41.0	39.0	37.6	7.67	7.44	7.90
Middletown	398.89	379.66	347.76	42.3	41.0	38.3	9.43	9.26	9.08
New Britain	387.30	373.22	346.02	41.6	40.7	39.5	9.31	9.17	8.76
New Haven	371.46	356.60	319.12	41.0	39.8	37.9	9.06	8.96	8.42
New London/ Norwich	433.41	408.77	364.45	42.7	41.0	39.7	10.15	9.97	9.18
Norwalk	416.26	425.35	363.66	46.2	47.0	43.5	9.01	9.05	8.36
Stamford	361.08	358.35	322.31	40.8	40.4	38.6	8.85	8.87	8.35
Torrington	290.23	283.85	239.20	41.7	40.9	37.2	6.96	6.94	6.43
Waterbury	349.44	329.99	288.75	44.8	42.8	39.5	7.80	7.71	7.31
Willimantic	317.38	323.90	285.34	38.8	39.5	41.9	8.18	8.20	6.81

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	$19,100e	$ 7,279p
Feb	35,104	17,200e	13,358p
Mar			
Apr			
May			
Jun			
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

	Federal Loans (000)
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

	Direct Loan Repayments (000)
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

	Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (1/31/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$216,350,689
Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (2/29/84)
$37.5 million (e)

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment	
	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)
1983						
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2
Feb....	1399.0	1420.8	5308	6472	7.6	6.9
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1
1984						
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6
Mar....						
Apr....						
May....						
Jun....						
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

	Personal Income Millions	New Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Seasonally Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	3969.6	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	4071.6	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984							
Jan....	4116.3	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	4148.9	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....							
Apr....							
May....							
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

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NOW AVAILABLE

1980 CONNECTICUT OCCUPATIONAL STATISTICS for Equal Employment Opportunity

The Connecticut Census Data Center within the Office of Policy and Management has compiled a three volume publication containing detailed occupational data for over 30 geographic areas in Connecticut according to sex and race and Spanish Origin.

This data was taken from the Special Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) computer file, produced by the U.S. Bureau of the Census using 1980 census data. Over 600 different occupational groups or aggregations of groups are listed for the State, each county, each SMSA, and selected municipalities which have a population over 50,000.

Each of the three volumes presents occupational data and calculated percentages for the State as a whole, and the respective areas for each of three broad regions of the state. These regions are: Volume 1 -- Western Connecticut; Volume 2 -- South Central Connecticut; and Volume 3 -- Northcentral and Eastern Connecticut.

This data, while it has varied uses, will be used primarily for Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) reporting and affirmative action planning. Those businesses and public agencies that receive either state or federal monies are requested to report certain statistics regarding their employees and compare those statistics to the appropriate figures in this report.

A special aggregation of the occupational data for use with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Forms is provided on the last two pages of each of the area's data. The aggregations of occupations used for the EEOC Form categories were created by utilizing guidelines established by the EEOC and the Bureau of the Census.

Geographic Coverage of Connecticut Occupational Statistics

VOLUME 1
Western

CONNECTICUT

COUNTIES:
- Fairfield
- Litchfield

SMSAs:
- Bridgeport
- Danbury
- Norwalk
- Stamford

PLACES:
- Bridgeport
- Danbury
- Norwalk
- Stamford
- Stratford

VOLUME 2
South Central

CONNECTICUT

COUNTIES:
- Middlesex
- New Haven

SMSAs:
- Bristol
- Meriden
- New Haven-West Haven
- Waterbury

PLACES:
- Bristol
- New Haven
- Waterbury
- West Haven

VOLUME 3
Northcentral and Eastern

CONNECTICUT

COUNTIES:
- Hartford
- New London
- Tolland
- Windham

SMSAs:
- Hartford
- New Britain
- New London-Norwich
- Springfield

PLACES:
- East Hartford
- Hartford
- New Britain
- West Hartford

Facsimile of Occupational Data and the Special EEOC Aggregations

CONNECTICUT OCCUPATIONAL STATISTICS OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE
for Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Planning
1980 Census of Population and Housing - - EEO Special File

CONNECTICUT CENSUS DATA CENTER
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
80 WASHINGTON ST. HARTFORD, CT 06106

OCCUPATION	TOTAL ALL RACES	TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE				WHITE NOT HISPANIC				BLACK NOT HISPANIC			
		MALE	%	FEMALE	%	MALE	%	FEMALE	%	MALE	%	FEMALE	%
EXPERIENCED CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE - TOTAL	1,546,101	873,465	56.5	672,636	43.5	794,635	51.4	601,835	38.9	45,570	2.9	46,052	3.0
EXECUTIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND MANAGERIAL OCCUPATIONS:	184,738	135,172	73.2	49,566	26.8	129,628	70.2	45,802	24.8	2,922	1.6	2,440	1.3
LEGISLATORS	188	111	59.0	77	41.0	111	59.0	77	41.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATORS, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	525	381	72.6	144	27.4	325	61.9	112	21.3	45	8.6	32	6.1
ADMINISTRATORS AND OFFICIALS, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	3,730	2,281	61.2	1,449	38.8	2,090	56.0	1,322	35.4	167	4.5	71	1.9
ADMINISTRATORS, PROTECTIVE SERVICES	345	340	98.6	5	1.4	333	96.5	5	1.4	7	2.0	0	0.0
FINANCIAL MANAGERS	9,080	6,487	71.4	2,593	28.6	6,255	68.9	2,419	26.6	64	0.7	112	1.2
PERSONNEL AND LABOR RELATIONS MANAGERS	4,218	2,887	68.4	1,331	31.6	2,751	65.2	1,211	28.7	101	2.4	90	2.1
PURCHASING MANAGERS	1,381	1,203	87.1	178	12.9	1,162	84.1	174	12.6	30	2.2	4	0.3
MANAGERS, MARKETING, ADVERTISING, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS	16,057	13,764	85.7	2,293	14.3	13,462	83.8	2,163	13.5	108	0.7	69	0.4
ADMINISTRATORS, EDUCUCATION AND RELATED FIELDS	6,026	3,695	61.3	2,331	38.7	3,398	56.4	2,151	35.7	224	3.7	125	2.1
MANAGERS, MEDICINE AND HEALTH	1,817	847	46.6	970	53.4	783	43.1	898	49.4	44	2.4	55	3.0
MANAGERS, PROPERTIES AND REAL ESTATE	1,935	1,467	75.8	468	24.2	1,382	71.4	445	23.0	35	1.8	12	0.6
POSTMASTERS AND MAIL SUPERINTENDENTS	338	265	78.4	73	21.6	265	78.4	73	21.6	0	0.0	0	0.0
FUNERAL DIRECTORS	562	509	90.6	53	9.4	499	88.8	53	9.4	10	1.8	0	0.0
MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS, N.E.C., SALARIED	83,877	64,056	76.4	19,821	23.6	61,677	73.5	18,588	22.2	1,137	1.4	774	0.9
MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS, N.E.C., SELF-EMPLOYED	7,217	5,607	77.7	1,610	22.3	5,407	74.9	1,531	21.2	106	1.5	33	0.5
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION REPORTING CATEGORIES:													
EEO-1 FORM - PRIVATE EMPLOYERS:													
Officials and Managers	190,190	143,691	75.6	46,499	24.4	138,295	72.7	43,593	22.9	2,773	1.5	1,862	1.0
Professional	246,012	133,939	54.4	112,073	45.6	126,345	51.4	103,967	42.3	3,353	1.4	4,973	2.0
Technicians	49,265	29,010	58.9	20,255	41.1	26,973	54.8	18,373	37.3	1,029	2.1	1,341	2.7
Sales	122,614	57,742	47.1	64,872	52.9	55,773	45.5	60,992	49.7	968	0.8	2,329	1.9
Office and Clerical	282,160	62,089	22.0	220,071	78.0	55,781	19.8	201,196	71.3	4,211	1.5	13,114	4.6
Craft Workers	182,335	169,741	93.1	12,594	6.9	157,997	86.7	10,857	6.0	6,935	3.8	1,129	0.6
Operatives	242,282	153,416	63.3	88,866	36.7	127,315	52.5	71,803	29.6	14,666	6.1	9,539	3.9
Laborers	53,178	45,128	84.9	8,050	15.1	39,284	73.9	7,145	13.4	3,648	6.9	490	0.9
Service Workers	178,065	78,709	44.2	99,356	55.8	66,872	37.6	83,909	47.1	7,987	4.5	11,275	6.3

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Connecticut's employment ranks continue to gain with 10,400 more people working in March than the month before while unemployment dropped from 5.2 to 4.7 percent and the seasonally adjusted rate was unchanged at 4.6 percent, it is reported by State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro. Record personal income was also recorded in March.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Overall employment increased to 1,457,800 in March, up from 1,447,400 in February and 45,600 higher than March 1983 (page 2). Manufacturing jobs were up by 1,600 over the month and 12,000 above last year. Nonmanufacturing increased by 8,800 from February and 33,600 since a year ago. Construction began its seasonal comeback with a 1,700 monthly gain, retail trade was 2,000 higher and all nonmanufacturing employment increased from last year. Employment increases were recorded in 15 labor market areas and Torrington was lower in March (pages 5 & 6).

Hourly wages of manufacturing workers rose two-cents to a record $9.14 which compared with $8.62 a year ago (page 3). Average weekly earnings were $387.54, down six-cents from February, for a slightly shorter workweek of 42.4 hours. Last year's weekly wages averaged $352.56 for a 40.9-hour week. For a straight-time, 40-hour week, wages were up to $8.71 per hour and $348.40 weekly, 4.7 percent above the same month in 1983. Weekly wages of Bristol area workers were the highest in the state, followed by Norwalk, Ansonia, Hartford, Bridgeport and New London/Norwich (page 6).

Unemployment: The number of jobless persons declined by 6,500 to 75,600 and the rate from 5.2 to 4.7 percent (page 4). When adjusted for seasonal factors, the rate remained at 4.6 percent, the lowest in 14 years. Unemployment dropped in each labor market area and state rates continued well below comparable national figures for March when the actual rate for the country was 8.1 percent, seasonally adjusted to 7.8 percent. Included in the unemployment estimate are people receiving unemployment benefits, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired and those entering or reentering the labor force. A comparison of March this year and March 1983 reflects substantial improvement in unemployment conditions. Last year there were 114,700 unemployed for a 7.2 percent Connecticut rate, 6.8 percent seasonally adjusted. An estimated 35,600 persons were filing continued claims for unemployment benefits in March, down from 37,600 in mid-February and 56,700 a year ago.

Other Indicators: Seasonally adjusted economic indicators were mixed in March, with higher employment, fewer new claims for unemployment compensation, record high personal income of state residents and a slight decline in manufacturing output (page 7).

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

March 1984

	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983(R)	% Change Mar. '84 over Feb. '84	% Change Mar. '84 over Mar. '83
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,457,800*	1,447,400*	1,412,200*	+ 0.7	+ 3.2
Manufacturing.............	412,700*	411,100*	400,700*	+ 0.4	+ 3.0
Durable...................	308,400	307,400*	300,400*	+ 0.3	+ 2.7
Lumber & Furniture.......	6,600	6,600	5,900	0.0	+ 11.9
Primary Metals...........	16,800*	17,000	16,300	- 1.2	+ 3.1
Fabricated Metals........	57,800	57,400	55,100	+ 0.7	+ 4.9
Machinery exc. Elec......	48,600	48,100	47,300*	+ 1.0	+ 2.8
Electrical Equipment.....	54,300*	53,800*	49,200	+ 0.9	+ 10.4
Transportation Equipment.	81,400*	81,500*	84,200	- 0.1	- 3.3
Instruments & Clocks.....	28,200	28,100	27,100	+ 0.4	+ 4.1
Other Durable............	14,700	14,900	15,300	- 1.3	- 3.9
Nondurable................	104,300	103,700	100,300	+ 0.6	+ 4.0
Food.....................	13,900	13,700	12,800	+ 1.5	+ 8.6
Textiles.................	7,100	7,000	6,800	+ 1.4	+ 4.4
Apparel..................	10,000	10,100	9,800	- 1.0	+ 2.0
Paper....................	10,400	10,200	10,300	+ 2.0	+ 1.0
Printing & Publishing....	25,800	25,800	24,700	0.0	+ 4.4
Chemicals................	22,200	22,300	21,900	- 0.5	+ 1.4
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,100	12,800	12,400	+ 2.3	+ 5.6
Other Nondurable.........	1,800	1,800	1,600	0.0	+ 12.5
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,045,100	1,036,300	1,011,500*	+ 0.9	+ 3.2
Construction & Mining.....	50,400	48,700	46,500	+ 3.5	+ 8.4
Transportation............	30,600	30,800	29,700*	- 0.6	+ 3.0
Motor Freight & Warehsng.	11,900	11,900	11,800	0.0	+ 0.9
Other Transportation.....	18,700	18,900	17,900*	- 1.1	+ 4.5
Communications............	19,000	19,100	18,600	- 0.5	+ 2.2
Utilities.................	12,500	12,500	12,200	0.0	+ 2.5
Trade.....................	308,700	306,200	298,900	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
Wholesale................	72,500	72,000	71,500	+ 0.7	+ 1.4
Retail...................	236,200	234,200	227,400	+ 0.9	+ 3.9
General Merchandise.....	32,700	32,600	30,400	+ 0.3	+ 7.6
Food Stores.............	42,900	42,500	40,100	+ 0.9	+ 7.0
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta....	25,600	25,400	24,700	+ 0.8	+ 3.6
Restaurants.............	69,700	68,800	67,800	+ 1.3	+ 2.8
Other Retail Trade......	65,300	64,900	64,400	+ 0.6	+ 1.4
Finance, Ins. & R.E.......	120,000	119,600	114,600	+ 0.3	+ 4.7
Banking..................	27,500	27,500	27,100	0.0	+ 1.5
Insurance................	68,600	68,400	65,200	+ 0.3	+ 5.2
Real Estate..............	10,000	9,900	9,200	+ 1.0	+ 8.7
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	13,900	13,800	13,100	+ 0.7	+ 6.1
Services..................	316,800	313,800	304,600	+ 1.0	+ 4.0
Hotels...................	7,200	7,100	6,400	+ 1.4	+ 12.5
Personal Services........	15,700	15,600	15,100	+ 0.6	+ 4.0
Business Services........	64,500	64,200	60,900	+ 0.5	+ 5.9
Health Services..........	107,400	107,200	103,700	+ 0.2	+ 3.6
Law & Professional.......	22,700	22,600	21,600	+ 0.4	+ 5.1
Educational Services.....	32,300	31,500	31,400	+ 2.5	+ 2.9
Other Services...........	67,000	65,600	65,500	+ 2.1	+ 2.3
Government................	187,100	185,600	186,400	+ 0.8	+ 0.4
Federal..................	21,500	21,400	21,500	+ 0.5	0.0
State & Local............	165,600	164,200	164,900	+ 0.8	+ 0.4

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - MARCH 1984

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$387.54	$387.60	$352.56	42.4	42.5	40.9	$9.14	$9.12	$8.62
Durable Manufacturing.......	401.12	400.33	362.15	42.9	43.0	41.2	9.35	9.31	8.79
Lumber & Furniture.........	284.41	276.89	266.66	41.1	40.6	39.8	6.92	6.82	6.70
Primary Metals.............	441.00	441.67	390.64	44.5	44.3	42.6	9.91	9.97	9.17
Fabricated Metals..........	365.51	363.38	330.44	42.8	42.5	41.1	8.54	8.55	8.04
Machinery..................	436.04	432.08	374.63	44.0	44.0	40.5	9.91	9.82	9.25
Electrical Equipment.......	324.43	322.76	290.73	41.7	41.7	40.1	7.78	7.74	7.25
Transportation Equipment...	484.15	489.19	445.30	42.1	43.1	41.5	11.50	11.35	10.73
Instruments & Clocks.......	392.37	387.15	342.28	45.1	44.5	43.0	8.70	8.70	7.96
Other Durable Mfg..........	370.79	374.29	333.66	44.3	44.4	41.5	8.37	8.43	8.04
Nondurable Manufacturing....	346.42	349.35	323.20	40.9	41.1	40.0	8.47	8.50	8.08
Food.......................	349.85	369.36	323.47	41.5	42.7	39.4	8.43	8.65	8.21
Textiles...................	273.83	272.34	264.66	39.4	39.7	40.1	6.95	6.86	6.60
Apparel....................	217.15	213.44	203.97	37.7	36.8	36.1	5.76	5.80	5.65
Paper......................	435.62	441.75	394.20	46.0	46.5	45.0	9.47	9.50	8.76
Printing & Publishing......	334.88	341.10	316.46	37.5	37.9	36.5	8.93	9.00	8.67
Chemicals..................	451.69	442.12	411.09	43.1	42.8	42.6	10.48	10.33	9.65
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	313.17	317.52	302.66	41.7	42.0	40.9	7.51	7.56	7.40
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	262.07	263.84	255.07	36.5	36.9	36.7	7.18	7.15	6.95
Construction................	604.51	594.59	543.05	37.9	37.8	37.4	15.95	15.73	14.52

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	Mar. 1984		Feb. 1984		Mar. 1983(R)	
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	75,600	4.7	82,100	5.2	114,700	7.2
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.6)		(4.6)		(6.8)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,200	7.2	1,300	8.1	1,600	10.0
Bridgeport.............	9,700	5.2	10,400	5.6	15,800	8.3
Bristol................	2,100	6.0	2,100	6.3	4,200	12.5
Danbury................	3,800	3.7	4,400	4.3	6,200	6.4
Danielson..............	2,100	7.1	2,400	8.2	3,300	11.3
Hartford...............	17,600	4.5	18,700	4.9	25,300	6.5
Meriden................	1,800	6.7	1,800	6.9	3,000	10.9
Middletown.............	2,800	4.7	3,100	5.4	3,800	6.5
New Britain............	4,100	5.9	4,200	6.0	5,700	8.1
New Haven..............	10,100	5.0	10,800	5.4	14,600	7.3
New London/Norwich.....	4,400	3.8	4,800	4.1	5,900	5.4
Norwalk................	3,000	3.7	3,600	4.5	3,900	5.1
Stamford...............	3,500	2.8	4,400	3.5	5,600	4.6
Torrington.............	3,000	7.8	3,200	8.3	4,900	12.4
Waterbury..............	5,600	5.3	6,000	5.9	9,500	9.1
Willimantic............	800	3.1	900	3.3	1,400	5.4
U.S. Total-Actual........	9,057,000	8.1	9,407,000	8.4	11,879,000	10.8
Seasonally Adjusted......		(7.8)		(7.8)		(10.3)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Mar. '84	Feb. '84	Mar. '83
All Items.............	307.3	306.6	293.4
Percent Change From....	xxx	+ 0.2	+ 4.7

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Mar.'84	Feb.'84	Mar.'83(R)	Percent Change to March 1984 from:	
				Feb.'84	Mar.'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,350	8,330	8,320	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
Manufacturing	2,970	2,950	2,980	+ 0.7	- 0.3
Nonmanufacturing	5,380	5,380	5,340	0.0	+ 0.7
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	165,790*	164,700*	164,000	+ 0.7	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	59,300*	59,380*	58,200	- 0.1	+ 1.9
Nonmanufacturing	106,490	105,320	105,800	+ 1.1	+ 0.6
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,060	22,750	21,200	+ 1.4	+ 8.8
Manufacturing	9,340	9,150	7,820	+ 2.1	+ 19.4
Nonmanufacturing	13,720	13,600	13,380	+ 0.9	+ 2.5
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	73,840	73,090	68,990	+ 1.0	+ 7.0
Manufacturing	27,790	27,640	25,360	+ 0.5	+ 9.6
Nonmanufacturing	46,050	45,450	43,630	+ 1.3	+ 5.5
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,240	20,820	19,940	+ 2.0	+ 6.5
Manufacturing	10,150	10,040	9,070	+ 1.1	+ 11.9
Nonmanufacturing	11,090	10,780	10,870	+ 2.9	+ 2.0
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	403,950*	402,360	398,360*	+ 0.4	+ 1.4
Manufacturing	87,440*	87,720	87,090*	- 0.3	+ 0.4
Nonmanufacturing	316,510	314,640	311,270	+ 0.6	+ 1.7
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,300	22,110	21,560	+ 0.9	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	5,220	5,260	5,190	- 0.8	+ 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	17,080	16,850	16,370	+ 1.4	+ 4.3
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	46,000	44,810	45,720	+ 2.6	+ 0.6
Manufacturing	14,650	14,550	14,990	+ 0.7	- 2.3
Nonmanufacturing	31,350	30,260	30,730	+ 3.6	+ 2.0
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	58,990	58,710	58,390*	+ 0.5	+ 1.0
Manufacturing	24,280	24,220	23,670*	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
Nonmanufacturing	34,710	34,490	34,720	+ 0.6	- 0.1
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	194,900	193,100	185,510	+ 0.9	- 5.1
Manufacturing	39,300	39,060	38,510	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Nonmanufacturing	155,600	154,040	147,000	+ 1.0	+ 5.8
NEW LONDON/NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	101,830*	101,410*	97,960	+ 0.4	+ 3.9
Manufacturing	35,160*	35,200*	35,470	- 0.1	- 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	66,670	66,210	62,490	+ 0.7	+ 6.7
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	66,370	65,740	63,950	+ 1.0	+ 3.8
Manufacturing	22,210	22,110	21,180	+ 0.5	+ 4.9
Nonmanufacturing	44,160	43,630	42,770	+ 1.2	+ 3.2

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Mar.'84	Feb.'84	Mar.'83(R)	Percent Change to March 1984 from: Feb.'84	Mar.'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	112,600	111,740	110,880	+ 0.8	+ 1.6
Manufacturing	31,030	30,940	31,150	+ 0.3	- 0.4
Nonmanufacturing	81,570	80,800	79,730	+ 1.0	+ 2.3
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	27,360	27,440	27,230	- 0.3	+ 0.5
Manufacturing	8,840	8,880	8,820	- 0.4	+ 0.2
Nonmanufacturing	18,520	18,560	18,410	- 0.2	+ 0.6
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	86,430	85,840	83,570	+ 0.7	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	30,090	29,920	28,420	+ 0.6	+ 5.9
Nonmanufacturing	56,340	55,920	55,150	+ 0.7	+ 2.2
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,720	22,500	21,690	+ 1.0	+ 9.4
Manufacturing	2,480	2,350	2,610	+ 5.5	- 5.0
Nonmanufacturing	20,240	20,150	19,080	+ 0.4	+ 6.1

(R) Revised * Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes

Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983	Mar. 1984	Feb. 1984	Mar. 1983
Ansonia	$423.20	$423.20	$395.71	43.9	43.9	43.2	$9.64	$9.64	$9.16
Bridgeport	404.70	404.70	368.02	42.6	42.6	40.8	9.50	9.50	9.02
Bristol	428.82	431.00	383.11	42.5	43.1	40.8	10.09	10.00	9.39
Danbury	380.58	378.35	340.13	44.1	44.2	42.2	8.63	8.56	8.06
Danielson	318.38	319.59	297.61	39.6	40.2	38.6	8.04	7.95	7.71
Hartford	409.36	410.18	382.34	41.9	42.2	41.2	9.77	9.72	9.28
Meriden	327.60	332.83(R)	321.53	40.0	41.5(R)	39.5	8.19	8.02(R)	8.14
Middletown	395.91	398.89	356.59	41.5	42.3	39.1	9.54	9.43	9.12
New Britain	389.49	387.30	355.29	41.7	41.6	40.1	9.34	9.31	8.86
New Haven	368.96	371.46	332.28	40.5	41.0	39.0	9.11	9.06	8.52
New London/ Norwich	396.87	433.41	379.96	39.1	42.7	40.9	10.15	10.15	9.29
Norwalk	423.51	416.26	364.76	46.9	46.2	44.0	9.03	9.01	8.29
Stamford	371.42	361.08	333.04	41.5	40.8	39.6	8.95	8.85	8.41
Torrington	279.40	290.23	241.39	39.8	41.7	37.6	7.02	6.96	6.42
Waterbury	336.26	349.44	309.12	43.5	44.8	42.0	7.73	7.80	7.36
Willimantic	316.57	317.38	304.59	38.7	38.8	42.9	8.18	8.18	7.10

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2
Feb....	1399.0	1420.8	5308	6472	7.6	6.9
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1
1984						
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6
Apr....						
May....						
Jun....						
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

	Personal Income Millions	Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Seasonally Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	3969.6	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	4071.6	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984							
Jan....	4116.3	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	4148.9	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	4158.2	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....							
May....							
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

UC TRUST FUND DEBT DECREASING

Credit reduction payments based on 1983 taxable wages of Connecticut employers will further reduce the state's unemployment trust fund debt by an estimated $57 million to approximately $223 million. Although these payments were due at the end of January, the bulk will be applied to reducing the loan balance in March and April, based on last year's experience.

Since the trust fund became insolvent 12 years ago, Connecticut was forced to borrow a total of $577.8 million and has returned $130.2 million by direct repayment and $167.3 million in reduced credits for employers under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Imposition of FUTA credit losses will continue until all outstanding loans are paid. Since 1980, the reduction has been based on 0.7 percent of federal taxable wages for employers. However, the loss of employer tax credits could also be greater. This revenue is only applied to the non-interest bearing portion of Connecticut's borrowing.

The remaining interest bearing debt of $63.8 million can only be reduced by direct repayment if there is any non-interest bearing debt outstanding. This obligation requires annual interest payments of up to $6.38 million until it is partially or all repaid. No regular employer contributions (taxes) to the state unemployment trust fund can be used to pay this interest which, instead, is covered by a separate assessment on employers.

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CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	$18,793	$ 7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,600e	653p
Apr			
May			
Jun			
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

Federal Loans (000)	
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

Direct Loan Repayments (000)	
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)	
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (2/29/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$215,142,047
Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (3/31/84)
$20.9 million (e)

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

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CONNECTICUT LABOR SITUATION

CONNECTICUT LABOR DEPARTMENT

JOB SERVICE

EMPLOYMENT
SECURITY DIVISION
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COMMISSIONER

May 1984

Statewide employment continued to improve during April as 16,800 hirings boosted employment to a 1984 high, it is reported by State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro. At the same time, unemployment decreased and factory wages and personal income set new highs.

Employment, Wages and Hours: April's gain brought employment to 1,474,600 which was 42,400 more jobs than during April 1983 (page 2). A monthly increase of 1,800 had manufacturing employment at 414,500, the highest since May 1982, with most all categories showing improvement over the month as well as from last year. Nonmanufacturing was up by 15,000 to 1,060,100, with increased employment in construction, retail trade and other services. Fourteen labor market areas had increased employment which was unchanged from March in Willimantic and lower in Ansonia (pages 5 & 6). With the exception of Ansonia, each area had employment gains over the year.

Factory production worker wages set a new record of $393.39 weekly and $9.17 per hour for a longer workweek of 42.9 hours in April (page 3). Since April last year, the workweek was extended by 1.8 hours and both average weekly wages and hourly rates were 5.7 percent higher. There was little change from March in straight-time earnings of $348 weekly and $8.70 hourly which were 4.4 percent above the 1983 levels. Bristol area workers earned the highest weekly wage, $446.15, followed by Norwalk, $423.47; New London/Norwich, $423.07; Ansonia, $418.82; Hartford, $416.75 and Bridgeport, $410.45 (page 6).

Unemployment: Unemployment dropped by 5,700 to 69,900 (4.3%) in April from 75,600 (4.7%) the month before (page 4) and the seasonally adjusted rate from 4.6 to 4.4 percent, the lowest since January 1970. The national seasonally adjusted April rate was 7.8 percent. There were an estimated 29,900 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits in mid-April compared with 35,600 in March. A year-to-year comparison continues to reflect substantial improvement in the state's economy. Between April 1983 and this year total unemployment declined by 34,900 and 2.3 actual percentage points.

Other Indicators: Elsewhere in the economy (page 7), personal income of state residents once again reached an all-time high, the manufacturing output index improved on a seasonally adjusted basis, there were fewer continued claims for unemployment benefits and increased employment, in addition to lower unemployment.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

April 1984

	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983(R)	% Change Apr. '84 over Mar. '84	% Change Apr. '84 over Apr. '83
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,474,600*	1,457,800*	1,432,200*	+ 1.2	+ 3.0
Manufacturing..............	414,500*	412,700*	402,600*	+ 0.4	+ 3.0
Durable....................	310,000*	308,400*	302,300*	+ 0.5	+ 2.5
Lumber & Furniture.......	6,800	6,600*	6,100	+ 3.0	+ 11.5
Primary Metals...........	16,700*	16,800*	16,300	- 0.6	+ 2.5
Fabricated Metals........	58,000*	57,800	55,700	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
Machinery exc. Elec......	49,200*	48,600	47,200	+ 1.2	+ 4.2
Electrical Equipment.....	54,500*	54,300*	50,100	+ 0.4	+ 8.8
Transportation Equipment.	81,500*	81,400*	83,600	+ 0.1	- 2.5
Instruments & Clocks.....	28,300	28,200	27,900	+ 0.4	+ 1.4
Other Durable............	15,000	14,700	15,400*	+ 2.0	- 2.6
Nondurable.................	104,500	104,300	100,300	+ 0.2	+ 4.2
Food.....................	13,800	13,900	12,900	- 0.7	+ 7.0
Textiles.................	7,200	7,100	6,700	+ 1.4	+ 7.5
Apparel..................	9,800	10,000	9,800	- 2.0	0.0
Paper....................	10,500	10,400	10,300	+ 1.0	+ 1.9
Printing & Publishing....	26,000	25,800	24,600	+ 0.8	+ 5.7
Chemicals................	22,100	22,200	22,000	- 0.5	- 0.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,200	13,100	12,400*	+ 0.8	+ 6.5
Other Nondurable.........	1,900	1,800	1,600	+ 5.6	+ 18.8
Nonmanufacturing...........	1,060,100*	1,045,100	1,029,600*	+ 1.4	+ 3.0
Construction & Mining.....	54,200*	50,400	50,700	+ 7.5	+ 6.9
Transportation............	31,200	30,600	30,400	+ 2.0	+ 2.6
Motor Freight & Warehsng.	11,900	11,900	12,000	0.0	- 0.8
Other Transportation.....	19,300	18,700	18,400*	+ 3.2	+ 4.9
Communications............	19,200	19,000	18,800	+ 1.1	+ 2.1
Utilities.................	12,600	12,500	12,200	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
Trade.....................	313,100	308,700	305,400	+ 1.4	+ 2.5
Wholesale................	72,900	72,500	72,800	+ 0.6	+ 0.1
Retail...................	240,200	236,200	232,600*	+ 1.7	+ 3.3
General Merchandise.....	32,800	32,700	30,700	+ 0.3	+ 6.8
Food Stores.............	44,200	42,900	41,900	+ 3.0	+ 5.5
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta....	26,100	25,600	25,200*	+ 1.9	+ 3.6
Restaurants.............	71,300	69,700	70,100	+ 2.3	+ 1.7
Other Retail Trade......	65,800	65,300	64,700	+ 0.8	+ 1.7
Finance, Ins. & R.E.......	120,600	120,000	115,800	+ 0.5	+ 4.1
Banking..................	27,300	27,500	27,400	- 0.7	- 0.4
Insurance................	68,800	68,600	65,500	+ 0.3	+ 5.0
Real Estate..............	10,500	10,000	9,800	+ 5.0	+ 7.1
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	14,000	13,900	13,100	+ 0.7	+ 6.9
Services..................	321,800	316,800	310,300	+ 1.6	+ 3.7
Hotels...................	7,500	7,200	7,000	+ 4.2	+ 7.1
Personal Services........	16,000	15,700	15,500	+ 1.9	+ 3.2
Business Services........	65,100	64,500	61,500	+ 0.9	+ 5.9
Health Services..........	108,400	107,400	104,800	+ 0.9	+ 3.4
Law & Professional.......	22,800	22,700	21,900	+ 0.4	+ 4.1
Educational Services.....	31,900	32,300	31,400	- 1.2	+ 1.6
Other Services...........	70,100	67,000	68,200	+ 4.6	+ 2.8
Government................	187,400	187,100	186,000	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
Federal..................	21,500	21,500	21,500	0.0	0.0
State & Local............	165,900	165,600	164,500	+ 0.2	+ 0.9

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - APRIL 1984

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$393.39	$387.54	$356.75	42.9	42.4	41.1	$9.17	$9.14	$8.68
Durable Manufacturing.......	408.03	401.12	364.73	43.5	42.9	41.4	9.38	9.35	8.81
Lumber & Furniture.........	288.56	284.41	273.48	41.7	41.1	40.1	6.92	6.92	6.82
Primary Metals.............	462.30	441.00	392.35	46.0	44.5	42.6	10.05	9.91	9.21
Fabricated Metals..........	367.62	365.51	332.47	43.3	42.8	41.3	8.49	8.54	8.05
Machinery..................	451.14	436.04	278.80	44.8	44.0	40.6	10.07	9.91	9.33
Electrical Equipment.......	324.12	324.43	298.57	41.5	41.7	40.9	7.81	7.78	7.30
Transportation Equipment...	491.49	484.15	453.60	43.0	42.1	41.5	11.43	11.50	10.93
Instruments & Clocks.......	405.72	392.37	342.28	46.0	45.1	43.0	8.82	8.70	7.96
Other Durable Mfg..........	374.25	370.79	345.98	44.5	44.3	42.4	8.41	8.37	8.16
Nondurable Manufacturing....	347.24	346.42	325.21	40.9	40.9	40.1	8.49	8.47	8.11
Food.......................	357.84	349.85	324.35	42.0	41.5	39.7	8.52	8.43	8.17
Textiles...................	281.40	273.83	267.02	40.2	39.4	39.5	7.00	6.95	6.76
Apparel....................	217.15	217.15	197.45	37.7	37.7	35.9	5.76	5.76	5.50
Paper......................	434.31	435.62	404.51	45.1	46.0	45.4	9.63	9.47	8.91
Printing & Publishing......	338.92	334.88	317.19	37.7	37.5	36.5	8.99	8.93	8.69
Chemicals..................	445.98	451.69	415.81	42.8	43.1	43.0	10.42	10.48	9.67
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	313.17	313.17	307.27	41.7	41.7	41.3	7.51	7.51	7.44
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	263.75	262.07	251.81	37.2	36.5	36.6	7.09	7.18	6.88
Construction................	264.46	604.51	565.49	38.8	37.9	38.6	15.89	15.95	14.65

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	Apr. Number	1984 Ratio to Labor Force	Mar. Number	1984 Ratio to Labor Force	Apr. Number	1983(R) Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	69,900	4.3	75,600	4.7	104,800	6.6
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.4)		(4.6)		(6.6)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,100	7.0	1,200	7.2	1,600	9.5
Bridgeport.............	9,200	4.8	9,700	5.2	15,500	8.1
Bristol................	1,800	5.1	2,100	6.0	3,600	10.4
Danbury................	3,400	3.2	3,800	3.7	5,500	5.6
Danielson..............	2,000	6.5	2,100	7.1	2,700	9.3
Hartford...............	15,400	3.9	17,600	4.5	23,100	6.0
Meriden................	1,700	6.4	1,800	6.7	2,800	10.2
Middletown.............	2,400	4.0	2,800	4.7	3,300	5.7
New Britain............	3,800	5.4	4,100	5.9	5,200	7.3
New Haven..............	9,400	4.6	10,100	5.0	13,500	6.7
New London/Norwich.....	4,300	3.7	4,400	3.8	5,500	5.0
Norwalk................	3,200	3.9	3,000	3.7	3,600	4.5
Stamford...............	3,800	3.0	3,500	2.8	5,400	4.3
Torrington.............	2,800	7.0	3,000	7.8	4,200	10.5
Waterbury..............	4,800	4.5	5,600	5.3	8,300	7.9
Willimantic............	800	2.8	800	3.1	1,000	3.9
U.S. Total-Actual........	8,525,000	7.6	9,057,000	8.1	11,035,000	10.0
Seasonally Adjusted......		(7.8)		(7.8)		(10.2)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Apr. '84	Mar. '84	Apr. '83
All Items.............	308.8	307.3	295.5
Percent Change From....	xxx	+ 0.5	+ 4.5

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-**The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.**

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Apr.'84	Mar.'84	Apr.'83	Percent Change to April 1984 from: Mar.'84	Apr.'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,040*	8,350	8,470	- 3.7	- 5.1
Manufacturing	2,530*	2,970	2,960	- 14.8	- 14.5
Nonmanufacturing	5,510	5,380	5,510	+ 2.4	0.0
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	167,280*	165,790*	165,980	+ 0.9	+ 0.8
Manufacturing	59,330*	59,300*	57,940	0.0	+ 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	107,950	106,490	108,040	+ 1.4	- 0.1
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,550	23,060	21,970	+ 2.1	+ 7.2
Manufacturing	9,550	9,340	8,250	+ 2.2	+ 15.8
Nonmanufacturing	14,000	13,720	13,720	+ 2.0	+ 2.0
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	74,980	73,840	70,270	+ 1.5	+ 6.7
Manufacturing	28,060	27,790	25,520	+ 1.0	+ 10.0
Nonmanufacturing	46,920	46,050	44,750	+ 1.9	+ 4.8
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,510	21,240	20,520	+ 1.3	+ 4.8
Manufacturing	10,110	10,150	9,190	- 0.4	+ 10.0
Nonmanufacturing	11,400	11,090	11,330	+ 2.8	+ 0.6
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	407,010	403,950*	400,380	+ 0.8	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	87,370	87,440*	86,040	- 0.1	+ 1.5
Nonmanufacturing	319,640	316,510	314,340	+ 1.0	+ 1.7
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,420	22,300	21,840	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Manufacturing	5,100	5,220	5,200	- 2.3	- 1.9
Nonmanufacturing	17,320	17,080	16,640	+ 1.4	+ 4.1
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	46,570	46,000	45,950	+ 1.2	+ 1.3
Manufacturing	14,580	14,650	14,970	- 0.5	- 2.6
Nonmanufacturing	31,990	31,350	30,980	+ 2.0	+ 3.3
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	59,470*	58,990	59,400	- 0.8	+ 0.1
Manufacturing	24,270	24,280	24,160	- 0.1	+ 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	35,200*	34,710	35,240	+ 1.4	- 0.1
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	197,200	194,900	189,090	+ 1.2	+ 4.3
Manufacturing	39,290	39,300	38,700	0.0	+ 1.5
Nonmanufacturing	157,910	155,600	150,390	+ 1.5	+ 5.0
NEW LONDON/NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	104,600	101,830*	99,830	+ 2.7	+ 4.8
Manufacturing	35,610	35,160*	35,640	+ 1.3	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	68,990	66,670	64,190	+ 3.5	+ 7.5
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	67,170	66,370	65,780	+ 1.2	+ 2.1
Manufacturing	22,110	22,210	21,910	- 0.5	+ 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	45,060	44,160	43,870	+ 2.0	+ 2.7

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Apr.'84	Mar.'84	Apr.'83	Percent Change to April 1984 from Mar.'84	Percent Change to April 1984 from Mar.'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	113,510	112,600	112,130	+ 0.8	+ 1.2
Manufacturing	31,170	31,030	31,310	+ 0.5	- 0.4
Nonmanufacturing	82,340	81,570	80,820	+ 0.9	+ 1.9
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,220	27,360	27,920	+ 3.1	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	8,960	8,840	8,780	+ 1.4	+ 2.1
Nonmanufacturing	19,260	18,520	19,140	+ 4.0	+ 0.6
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	87,440	86,430	85,110	+ 1.2	+ 2.7
Manufacturing	30,250	30,090	28,940	+ 0.5	+ 4.5
Nonmanufacturing	57,190	56,340	56,170	+ 1.5	+ 1.8
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,700	22,720	22,050	0.0	+ 2.9
Manufacturing	2,440	2,480	2,620	- 1.6	- 6.9
Nonmanufacturing	20,260	20,240	19,430	+ 0.1	+ 4.3

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983
Ansonia	$418.82	$411.09 (R)	$406.56	43.0	42.6 (R)	44.0	$9.74	$9.65 (R)	$9.24
Bridgeport	410.45	404.70	378.56	42.8	42.6	41.6	9.59	9.50	9.10
Bristol	446.15	428.82	380.43	43.4	42.5	40.3	10.28	10.09	9.44
Danbury	376.24	380.58	351.78	43.8	44.1	42.9	8.59	8.63	8.20
Danielson	324.40	318.38	300.30	40.0	39.6	38.5	8.11	8.04	7.80
Hartford	416.75	409.36	382.30	42.7	41.9	40.8	9.76	9.77	9.37
Meriden	337.03	327.60	316.22	42.5	40.0	38.8	7.93	8.19	8.15
Middletown	393.52	395.91	367.20	41.7	41.5	40.0	9.43	9.54	9.18
New Britain	394.99	389.49	363.26	42.2	41.7	41.0	9.36	9.34	8.86
New Haven	370.64	368.96	333.68	41.0	40.5	38.8	9.04	9.11	8.60
New London/ Norwich	423.07	396.87	387.39	41.6	39.1	41.3	10.17	10.15	9.38
Norwalk	423.47	423.51	359.45	47.0	46.9	43.1	9.01	9.03	8.34
Stamford	376.24	371.42	334.22	41.3	41.5	39.6	9.11	8.95	8.44
Torrington	298.92	279.40	258.07	42.4	39.8	39.4	7.05	7.02	6.55
Waterbury	339.99	336.26	299.17	43.7	43.5	41.9	7.78	7.73	7.14
Willimantic	336.61	316.57	295.92	41.1	38.7	41.1	8.19	8.18	7.20

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Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2
Feb....	1399.0	1420.8	5308	6472	7.6	6.9
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1
1984						
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6
Apr....	1474.6	1476.1	3362	3965	4.3	4.4
May....						
Jun....						
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

	Personal Income Millions	Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Seasonally Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	3969.6	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	4071.6	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984							
Jan....	4116.3	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	4148.9	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	4158.2	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....	4165.2	10362	11226	42.9	43.1	126.6	122.7
May....							
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	$18,793	$ 7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,600e	653p
Apr	27,760	14,100e	25,145p
May			
Jun			
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

Federal Loans (000)	
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

Direct Loan Repayments (000)	
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)	
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (3/31/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$ 181,217,544
Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (4/30/84)
$ 32.7 million (e)

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

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CONNECTICUT LABOR SITUATION

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P. JOSEPH PERARO
COMMISSIONER

June 1984

Record high employment and the lowest unemployment rate since at least 1970 are reported by State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro for May when other statewide economic conditions also improved.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Overall employment reached an all-time high of 1,486,100 during May, up 11,500 from April and 41,500 above May last year (page 2). Factory jobs increased by 700 over the month and 12,500 from 1983, reflecting continued recovery from the economic downturn. Construction payrolls advanced from April and a year ago, along with retail trade which added 7,300 jobs since last year; insurance with a gain of 2,700 jobs; health services added 3,700 and business services, an annual gain of 3,200. Monthly employment increases were recorded in 14 labor markets and two areas had lower employment (pages 5 & 6).

Unchanged from April was the $9.17 average hourly wage of factory production workers (page 3) who earned a weekly pay of $388.81 for a shorter workweek of 42.4 hours (down from April's 42.9). Compared with last year, weekly wages were up 8.5 percent and hourly earnings increased 5.1 percent. On a straight-time, 40-hour week basis, both hourly and weekly wages for May were slightly higher at $9.17 and $349.60, respectively, and 3.9 percent above May 1983. The highest weekly wages were paid to workers in the Bristol area, followed by Ansonia, Norwalk, Hartford, New London/Norwich and Bridgeport (page 6).

Unemployment: Unemployment dropped to 68,200 (4.1 percent) in May from April's level of 69,900 (4.3 percent), the lowest since January 1970 using the current methodology (page 4). When seasonally adjusted, the 4.5 percent May rate was one-tenth of a point above April. Both remained substantially under the comparable national figures of 7.2 and 7.5 percent, respectively. Eleven labor markets had lower unemployment which was unchanged in two and increased in three areas. Included in the unemployment estimate were people receiving unemployment benefits, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired and those entering or reentering the labor force. In May there were an estimated 26,100 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits compared with 29,900 in mid-April.

Other Indicators: Personal income of residents increased to a new, all-time high of $4 billion, 183-million (page 7) and other economic indicators also improved. Automobile registrations were up from both April and May last year and first-time claims for unemployment compensation declined for similar periods.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983(R)	% Change May '84 over Apr. '84	% Change May '84 over May '83
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,486,100*	1,474,600*	1,444,600*	+ 0.8	+ 2.9
Manufacturing.............	415,200*	414,500*	402,700	+ 0.2	+ 3.1
Durable..................	310,500*	310,000*	301,500	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Lumber & Furniture.......	6,700	6,800	6,100	- 1.5	+ 9.8
Primary Metals...........	16,800	16,700*	16,300	+ 0.6	+ 3.1
Fabricated Metals........	58,400	58,000*	55,800	+ 0.7	+ 4.7
Machinery exc. Elec......	49,400	49,200*	47,000	+ 0.4	+ 5.1
Electrical Equipment.....	54,700	54,500*	50,200	+ 0.4	+ 9.0
Transportation Equipment.	81,600*	81,500*	83,200	+ 0.1	- 1.9
Instruments & Clocks.....	28,000	28,300	27,800	- 1.1	+ 0.7
Other Durable............	14,900	15,000	15,100	- 0.7	- 1.3
Nondurable...............	104,700	104,500	101,200	+ 0.2	+ 3.5
Food.....................	13,600	13,800	13,300	- 1.4	+ 2.3
Textiles.................	7,100	7,200	6,900	- 1.4	+ 2.9
Apparel..................	10,000	9,800	9,700	+ 2.0	+ 3.1
Paper....................	10,500	10,500	10,300	0.0	+ 1.9
Printing & Publishing....	26,200	26,000	24,800	+ 0.8	+ 5.6
Chemicals................	22,200	22,100	22,100	+ 0.4	+ 0.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,200	13,200	12,500	0.0	+ 5.6
Other Nondurable.........	1,900	1,900	1,600	0.0	+ 18.8
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,070,900	1,060,100*	1,041,900*	+ 1.0	+ 2.8
Construction & Mining.....	57,400	54,200*	53,900	+ 5.9	+ 6.5
Transportation............	31,900	31,200	31,800	+ 2.2	+ 0.3
Motor Freight & Warehsng.	12,000	11,900	12,000	+ 0.8	0.0
Other Transportation.....	19,900	19,300	19,800	+ 3.1	+ 0.5
Communications............	19,300	19,200	18,700	+ 0.5	+ 3.2
Utilities.................	12,600	12,600	12,300	0.0	+ 2.4
Trade.....................	316,800	313,100	309,500	+ 1.2	+ 2.4
Wholesale................	72,900	72,900	72,900*	0.0	0.0
Retail...................	243,900	240,200	236,600	+ 1.5	+ 3.1
General Merchandise.....	33,200	32,800	30,900	+ 1.2	+ 7.4
Food Stores.............	44,300	44,200	42,100	+ 0.2	+ 5.2
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta....	26,200	26,100	25,500	+ 0.4	+ 2.7
Restaurants.............	73,600	71,300	72,300	+ 3.2	+ 1.8
Other Retail Trade......	66,600	65,800	65,800	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Finance, Ins. & R.E.......	121,000	120,600	116,900	+ 0.3	+ 3.5
Banking..................	27,300	27,300	27,400	0.0	- 0.4
Insurance................	68,900	68,800	66,200	+ 0.1	+ 4.1
Real Estate..............	10,800	10,500	10,100	+ 2.9	+ 6.9
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	14,000	14,000	13,200	0.0	+ 6.1
Services..................	325,200	321,800	313,700	+ 1.1	+ 3.7
Hotels...................	8,100	7,500	7,700	+ 8.0	+ 5.2
Personal Services........	15,600	16,000	15,000	- 2.5	+ 4.0
Business Services........	65,800	65,100	62,600	+ 1.1	+ 5.1
Health Services..........	108,700	108,400	105,000	+ 0.3	+ 3.5
Law & Professional.......	22,800	22,800	21,900	0.0	+ 4.1
Educational Services.....	32,300	31,900	31,700	+ 1.3	+ 1.9
Other Services...........	71,900	70,100	69,800	+ 2.6	+ 3.0
Government................	186,700	187,400	185,100	- 0.4	+ 0.9
Federal..................	21,400	21,500	21,600	- 0.5	- 0.9
State & Local............	165,300	165,900	163,500	- 0.4	+ 1.1

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - MAY 1984

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$388.81	$393.39	$358.39	42.4	42.9	41.1	$9.17	$9.17	$8.72
Durable Manufacturing.......	403.77	408.03	367.22	43.0	43.5	41.4	9.39	9.38	8.87
Lumber & Furniture.........	286.07	288.56	270.95	41.4	41.7	40.2	6.91	6.92	6.74
Primary Metals.............	455.91	462.30	402.66	45.5	46.0	42.7	10.02	10.05	9.43
Fabricated Metals..........	368.51	367.62	337.00	43.1	43.3	41.4	8.55	8.49	8.14
Machinery..................	446.78	451.14	387.04	44.5	44.8	41.0	10.04	10.07	9.44
Electrical Equipment.......	317.05	324.12	297.68	40.7	41.5	40.5	7.79	7.81	7.35
Transportation Equipment...	482.22	491.49	444.22	42.3	43.0	41.4	11.40	11.43	10.73
Instruments & Clocks.......	410.26	405.72	343.31	46.2	46.0	42.7	8.88	8.82	8.04
Other Durable Mfg..........	371.04	374.25	348.10	43.6	44.5	42.4	8.51	8.41	8.21
Nondurable Manufacturing....	345.14	347.24	329.20	40.7	40.9	40.0	8.48	8.49	8.23
Food.......................	368.07	357.84	335.34	42.7	42.0	40.5	8.62	8.52	8.28
Textiles...................	279.18	281.40	260.94	39.6	40.2	38.6	7.05	7.00	6.76
Apparel....................	212.91	217.15	196.32	36.9	37.7	35.5	5.77	5.76	5.53
Paper......................	425.28	434.31	408.11	44.3	45.1	44.7	9.60	9.63	9.13
Printing & Publishing......	338.83	338.92	326.71	37.9	37.7	37.0	8.94	8.99	8.83
Chemicals..................	439.45	445.98	417.78	42.5	42.8	42.5	10.34	10.42	9.83
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	306.45	313.17	310.34	41.3	41.7	41.6	7.42	7.51	7.46
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	275.94	263.75	265.66	37.8	37.2	37.0	7.30	7.09	7.18
Construction................	632.76	616.53	591.32	39.4	38.8	39.5	16.06	15.89	14.97

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	May	1984	Apr.	1984	May	1983(R)
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	68,200	4.1	69,900	4.3	95,300	5.9
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.5)		(4.4)		(6.2)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia...............	1,000	5.9	1,100	7.0	1,400	8.4
Bridgeport............	9,400	4.9	9,200	4.8	13,800	7.2
Bristol...............	1,600	4.5	1,800	5.1	2,800	8.4
Danbury...............	3,400	3.3	3,400	3.2	5,100	5.1
Danielson.............	1,900	6.1	2,000	6.5	2,300	7.9
Hartford..............	15,300	3.9	15,400	3.9	21,100	5.4
Meriden...............	1,700	6.2	1,700	6.4	2,400	8.8
Middletown............	2,400	3.8	2,400	4.0	3,100	5.3
New Britain...........	3,400	4.8	3,800	5.4	5,000	7.0
New Haven.............	9,200	4.4	9,400	4.6	12,400	6.2
New London/Norwich.....	4,400	3.7	4,300	3.7	5,200	4.6
Norwalk...............	2,900	3.5	3,200	3.9	3,300	4.2
Stamford..............	3,400	2.6	3,300	3.0	5,200	4.1
Torrington............	2,500	6.2	2,800	7.0	3,600	8.9
Waterbury.............	5,000	4.7	4,800	4.5	7,700	7.3
Willimantic...........	700	2.6	800	2.8	900	3.3
U.S. Total-Actual.......	8,154,000	7.2	8,525,000	7.6	10,765,000	9.8
Seasonally Adjusted......		(7.5)		(7.8)		(10.1)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	May '84	Apr. '84	May '83
All Items.............	309.7	308.8	297.1
Percent Change From....	xxx	+0.3	+4.2

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	May'84	Apr.'84	May'83 (R)	Percent Change to May 1984 from: Apr.'84	May'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,460	8,040*	8,480	+ 5.2	- 0.2
Manufacturing	2,900	2,530*	2,930	+ 14.6	- 1.0
Nonmanufacturing	5,560	5,510	5,550	+ 0.9	+ 0.2
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	168,510	167,280*	166,660	+ 0.7	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	59,710	59,330*	57,830	+ 6.4	+ 3.2
Nonmanufacturing	108,800	107,950*	108,830	+ 0.8	0.0
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,780	23,550	22,260	+ 1.0	+ 6.8
Manufacturing	9,640	9,550	8,430	+ 0.9	+ 14.4
Nonmanufacturing	14,140	14,000	13,830	+ 1.0	+ 2.2
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	75,540	74,980	71,510	+ 0.7	+ 5.6
Manufacturing	27,940	28,060	25,680	- 0.4	+ 8.8
Nonmanufacturing	47,600	46,920	45,830	+ 1.4	+ 3.9
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,620	21,510	20,760	+ 0.5	+ 4.1
Manufacturing	10,060	10,110	9,300	- 0.5	+ 8.2
Nonmanufacturing	11,560	11,400	11,460	+ 1.4	+ 0.9
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	409,560*	407,010	403,980	+ 0.6	+ 1.4
Manufacturing	88,010	87,370	86,680	+ 0.7	+ 1.5
Nonmanufacturing	321,550*	319,640	317,300	+ 0.5	+ 1.3
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,630	22,420	21,980	+ 0.9	+ 2.9
Manufacturing	5,220	5,100	5,060	+ 2.3	+ 3.2
Nonmanufacturing	17,410	17,320	16,920	+ 0.5	+ 2.9
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	49,290	47,280 (R)	46,500	+ 4.2	+ 6.0
Manufacturing	14,550	14,580	14,930	- 0.2	- 2.5
Nonmanufacturing	34,740	32,700 (R)	31,570	+ 6.9	+ 10.0
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	59,860	59,470*	59,740	+ 0.7	+ 0.2
Manufacturing	24,180	24,270	24,210	- 0.4	- 0.1
Nonmanufacturing	35,680	35,200*	35,530	+ 1.4	+ 0.4
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	198,740	197,200	190,060	+ 0.8	+ 4.6
Manufacturing	39,520	39,290	38,570	+ 0.6	+ 2.5
Nonmanufacturing	159,220	157,910	151,490	+ 0.8	+ 5.1
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	104,540	104,600	100,790	- 0.5	+ 3.7
Manufacturing	35,650	35,610	35,530	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Nonmanufacturing	68,890	68,990	65,260	- 0.1	+ 5.6
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	67,530	67,170	66,110	+ 0.5	+ 2.1
Manufacturing	21,880	22,110	21,630	- 1.0	+ 1.2
Nonmanufacturing	45,650	45,060	44,480	+ 1.3	+ 2.6

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	May'84	Apr.'84	May'83 (R)	Percent Change to May 1984 from: Apr.'84	May'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	114,300	113,510	113,000	+ 0.7	+ 1.2
Manufacturing	30,990	31,170	31,260	- 0.6	- 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	83,310	82,340	81,740	+ 1.2	+ 1.9
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,660	28,220	28,280	+ 1.6	+ 1.3
Manufacturing	9,020	8,960	8,760	+ 0.7	+ 3.0
Nonmanufacturing	19,640	19,260	19,520	+ 2.0	+ 0.6
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	87,870	87,440	85,740	+ 0.5	+ 2.5
Manufacturing	29,980	30,250	28,870	- 0.9	+ 3.8
Nonmanufacturing	57,890	57,190	56,870	+ 1.2	+ 1.8
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,420	22,700	21,870	- 1.2	+ 2.5
Manufacturing	2,430	2,440	2,630	- 0.4	- 7.6
Nonmanufacturing	19,990	20,260	19,240	- 1.3	+ 3.9

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* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983	May 1984	Apr. 1984	May 1983
Ansonia	$425.54	$418.82	$413.71	43.6	43.0	44.2	$9.76	$9.74	$9.36
Bridgeport	402.66	410.45	378.72	41.9	42.8	41.3	9.61	9.59	9.17
Bristol	453.10	446.15	395.65	43.4	43.4	41.0	10.44	10.28	9.65
Danbury	377.58	376.24	355.97	43.6	43.8	43.2	8.66	8.59	8.24
Danielson	321.47	324.40	312.44	39.3	40.0	39.7	8.18	8.11	7.87
Hartford	415.65	416.75	382.12	42.5	42.7	41.0	9.78	9.76	9.32
Meriden	358.13	337.03	323.53	43.2	42.5	38.7	8.29	7.93	8.36
Middletown	382.94	393.23	362.46	41.0	41.7	39.7	9.34	9.43	9.13
New Britain	397.95	394.99	369.15	42.2	42.2	41.2	9.43	9.36	8.96
New Haven	368.42	370.64	319.68	40.8	41.0	37.0	9.03	9.04	8.64
New London/ Norwich	405.73	423.07	384.46	40.9	41.6	40.9	9.92	10.17	9.40
Norwalk	420.82	423.47	354.84	46.5	47.0	42.7	9.05	9.01	8.31
Stamford	380.80	376.24	331.96	41.8	41.3	39.1	9.11	9.11	8.49
Torrington	300.33	298.92	264.27	42.3	42.4	39.8	7.10	7.05	6.64
Waterbury	341.10	339.99	315.88	43.9	43.7	42.4	7.77	7.78	7.45
Willimantic	335.79	336.61	296.21	40.9	41.1	40.3	8.21	8.19	7.35

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.) Actual	Employment Nonag. (Thous.) Seas. Adj.	Av. Weekly Initial Claims Actual	Av. Weekly Initial Claims Seas. Adj.	Rate Total Unemployment Actual	Rate Total Unemployment Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2
Feb....	1399.0	1420.8	5308	6472	7.6	6.9
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1
1984						
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6
Apr....	1474.6	1476.1	3362	3965	4.3	4.4
May....	1486.1	1477.2	3006	3929	4.1	4.5
Jun....						
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

	Personal Income (Millions) Seasonally Adj.	Auto Registrations Actual	Auto Registrations Seas. Adj.	Average Work-Week Hours Actual	Average Work-Week Hours Seas. Adj.	Mfg. Output (1967=100) Actual	Mfg. Output (1967=100) Seas. Adj.
1983							
Jan....	3798.4	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	3819.5	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	3825.9	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	3833.9	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	3848.3	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	3856.8	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	3894.1	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	3922.3	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	3969.6	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	4013.4	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	4046.5	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	4071.6	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984							
Jan....	4116.3	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	4148.9	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	4158.2	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....	4165.2	10362	11226	42.9	43.1	126.6	122.7
May....	4183.7	14081	14039	42.4	42.5	126.0	122.0
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	$18,793	$ 7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,345	636
Apr	27,760	14,132	25,197
May	23,249	13,000e	98,825p
Jun			
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

	Federal Loans (000)
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

	Direct Loan Repayments (000)
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

	Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (4/30/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$165,311,456
Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (5/31/84)
$121.2 million (e)

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

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July 1984

Employment increased, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 4.3 percent and other indicators in the Connecticut economy improved during June, according to State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Employment expanded again between May and June when 1,499,000 people were working in the state (page 2). This was 12,900 higher than May and a gain of 39,600 jobs since June last year. With few exceptions, all employment categories had higher employment than May and June 1983. Recalls and increased hiring boosted manufacturing employment by 2,500 to a 1984 high of 417,700, up 14,500 from last year. Nonmanufacturing added 10,400 jobs over the month and 25,100 from a year ago, with seasonal employment accounting for most of the gains. Construction and retail trade were up 2,400 and 2,800, respectively. Educational services and state and local government showed declines due to school closings. Employment increased in 14 labor market areas, was unchanged in New Britain and down slightly in the Willimantic area (pages 5 & 6).

Earnings of factory production workers averaged $389.23 weekly in June, an increase from May's $388.81 and $30 above June 1983 (page 3). The 42.4-hour workweek was unchanged from the previous month and hourly earnings were up by one-cent. Straight-time earnings for a 40-hour week in June were $8.75 per hour and $350 weekly, a 4.1 percent increase from a year earlier. Wages were highest in Ansonia, followed by Bristol, Norwalk, Hartford, New London/Norwich and New Britain (page 6).

Unemployment: Unemployment was recorded at 71,800 in mid-June (4.3 percent), up from 68,200 (4.1 percent) in May (page 4), due mainly to a larger labor force. When adjusted for seasonal factors, the rate dropped from 4.5 to 4.3 percent which compared with 7.1 percent in the nation. A year ago, when unemployment stood at 97,200, the actual and seasonally adjusted rates were 6 and 5.9 percent. Eleven labor market areas had increased unemployment which remained stable in two and dropped in three areas. Included in the unemployment estimate are people receiving unemployment benefits, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired and those entering or reentering the labor force. There were an estimated 24,600 continued claims being filed for unemployment benefits in mid-June, down from 26,100 in May and 37,974 last year.

Other Indicators: Personal income of state residents once again reached a new all-time high and other economic indicators reflected continued improvement (page 7). In addition to increased employment, registrations for new automobiles were higher, the manufacturing output increased, working hours were stable and claims for unemployment benefits dropped.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

June 1984

	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983(R)	% Change June '84 over May '84	% Change June '84 over June '83
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,499,000*	1,486,100*	1,459,400*	+ 0.9	+ 2.7
Manufacturing.............	417,700*	415,200*	403,200*	+ 0.6	+ 3.6
Durable..................	312,500*	310,500*	300,800*	+ 0.6	+ 3.9
Lumber & Furniture.......	6,700	6,700	6,200	0.0	+ 8.1
Primary Metals...........	17,100	16,800	16,400	+ 1.8	+ 4.3
Fabricated Metals........	58,300	58,400	56,500	- 0.2	+ 3.2
Machinery exc. Elec......	49,800	49,400	47,300	+ 0.8	+ 5.3
Electrical Equipment.....	55,200	54,700	51,000	+ 0.9	+ 8.2
Transportation Equipment.	82,400*	81,600*	80,100*	+ 1.0	+ 2.9
Instruments & Clocks.....	28,000	28,000	27,800	0.0	+ 0.7
Other Durable............	15,000	14,900	15,500	+ 0.7	- 3.2
Nondurable...............	105,200	104,700	102,400	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Food.....................	13,800	13,600	13,600	+ 1.5	+ 1.5
Textiles.................	7,200	7,100	7,000	+ 1.4	+ 2.9
Apparel..................	9,700	10,000	9,600	- 3.0	+ 1.0
Paper....................	10,800	10,500	10,500	+ 2.9	+ 2.9
Printing & Publishing....	26,500	26,200	25,200	+ 1.2	+ 5.2
Chemicals................	22,400	22,200	22,200	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,000	13,200	12,700	- 1.5	+ 2.4
Other Nondurable.........	1,800	1,900	1,600	- 5.3	+ 12.5
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,081,300	1,070,900	1,056,200	+ 1.0	+ 2.4
Construction & Mining.....	59,800	57,400	57,800	+ 4.2	+ 3.5
Transportation............	32,400	31,900	32,200	+ 1.6	+ 0.6
Motor Freight & Warehsng.	12,300	12,000	12,300	+ 2.5	0.0
Other Transportation.....	20,100	19,900	19,900	+ 1.0	+ 1.0
Communications............	19,500	19,300	18,800	+ 1.0	+ 3.7
Utilities.................	12,800	12,600	12,500	+ 1.5	+ 2.4
Trade.....................	320,300	316,800	313,700	+ 1.1	+ 2.1
Wholesale................	73,600	72,900	73,800	+ 1.0	- 0.3
Retail...................	246,700	243,900	239,900	+ 1.2	+ 2.8
General Merchandise.....	33,400	33,200	31,100	+ 0.6	+ 7.4
Food Stores.............	45,200	44,300	43,100	+ 2.0	+ 4.9
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta....	26,400	26,200	25,800	+ 0.8	+ 2.3
Restaurants.............	74,500	73,600	73,400	+ 1.2	+ 1.5
Other Retail Trade......	67,200	66,600	66,500	+ 0.9	+ 1.1
Finance, Ins. & R.E.......	122,600	121,000	119,100	+ 1.3	+ 2.9
Banking..................	27,800	27,300	27,800	+ 1.8	0.0
Insurance................	69,400	68,900	67,200	+ 0.7	+ 3.3
Real Estate..............	11,200	10,800	10,600	+ 3.7	+ 5.7
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	14,200	14,000	13,500	+ 1.4	+ 5.2
Services..................	327,800	325,200	317,600	+ 0.8	+ 3.2
Hotels...................	8,500	8,100	8,200	+ 4.9	+ 3.7
Personal Services........	15,600	15,600	15,100	0.0	+ 3.3
Business Services........	66,500	65,800	63,500	+ 1.1	+ 4.7
Health Services..........	109,800	108,700	106,200	+ 1.0	+ 3.4
Law & Professional.......	23,200	22,800	22,400	+ 1.8	+ 3.6
Educational Services.....	30,400	32,300	29,900	- 5.9	+ 1.7
Other Services...........	73,800	71,900	72,300	+ 2.6	+ 2.1
Government................	186,100	186,700	184,500	- 0.3	+ 0.9
Federal..................	21,800	21,400	21,700	+ 1.9	+ 0.5
State & Local............	164,300	165,300	162,800	- 0.6	+ 0.9

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - JUNE 1984

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$389.23	$388.81	$359.26	42.4	42.4	41.2	$9.18	$9.17	$8.72
Durable Manufacturing.......	401.46	403.77	368.94	42.8	43.0	41.5	9.38	9.39	8.89
Lumber & Furniture.........	289.67	286.07	278.80	41.5	41.4	40.7	6.98	6.91	6.85
Primary Metals.............	445.41	455.91	402.17	44.9	45.5	42.2	9.92	10.02	9.53
Fabricated Metals..........	368.94	368.51	338.25	42.9	43.1	41.3	8.60	8.55	8.19
Machinery..................	443.56	446.78	374.63	44.4	44.5	40.5	9.99	10.04	9.25
Electrical Equipment.......	320.25	317.05	300.03	40.9	40.7	40.6	7.83	7.79	7.39
Transportation Equipment...	478.50	482.22	451.61	41.9	42.3	41.7	11.42	11.40	10.83
Instruments & Clocks.......	411.18	410.26	347.44	46.2	46.2	43.0	8.90	8.88	8.08
Other Durable Mfg..........	361.20	371.04	350.96	43.0	43.6	42.8	8.40	8.51	8.20
Nondurable Manufacturing....	348.91	345.14	332.09	41.0	40.7	40.4	8.51	8.48	8.22
Food.......................	375.41	368.07	336.18	43.5	42.7	40.7	8.63	8.62	8.26
Textiles...................	286.64	279.18	275.93	40.6	39.6	40.4	7.06	7.05	6.83
Apparel....................	210.61	212.91	202.03	36.5	36.9	36.6	5.77	5.77	5.52
Paper......................	434.11	425.28	409.81	44.8	44.3	44.4	9.69	9.60	9.23
Printing & Publishing......	341.24	338.83	326.24	38.0	37.9	37.2	8.98	8.94	8.77
Chemicals..................	439.56	439.45	414.83	42.8	42.5	42.2	10.27	10.34	9.83
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	305.62	305.45	309.83	41.3	41.3	41.7	7.40	7.42	7.43
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	294.42	275.94	262.38	39.1	37.8	36.8	7.53	7.30	7.13
Construction................	656.87	632.76	602.09	40.2	39.4	39.9	16.34	16.06	15.09

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	June	1984	May	1984	June	1983(R)
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	71,800	4.3	68,200	4.1	97,200	6.0
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.3)		(4.5)		(5.9)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,300	7.6	1,000	5.9	1,400	8.3
Bridgeport.............	9,500	4.9	9,400	4.9	14,100	7.3
Bristol................	1,700	4.6	1,600	4.5	2,800	8.0
Danbury................	3,700	3.4	3,400	3.3	5,300	5.1
Danielson..............	1,700	5.6	1,900	6.1	2,200	7.3
Hartford...............	16,200	4.0	15,300	3.9	21,300	5.4
Meriden................	1,700	6.1	1,700	6.2	2,500	9.1
Middletown.............	2,600	4.0	2,400	3.8	3,500	5.8
New Britain............	3,400	4.8	3,400	4.8	4,700	6.7
New Haven..............	9,900	4.7	9,200	4.4	13,700	6.7
New London/Norwich.....	4,800	3.9	4,400	3.7	5,400	4.6
Norwalk................	3,100	3.7	2,900	3.5	3,500	4.3
Stamford...............	3,600	2.7	3,400	2.6	5,200	4.1
Torrington.............	2,500	6.1	2,500	6.2	3,800	9.1
Waterbury..............	5,200	4.8	5,000	4.7	6,800	6.4
Willimantic............	900	3.6	700	2.6	1,000	4.1
U.S. Total - Actual......	8,582,000	7.4	8,154,000	7.2	11,570,000	10.2
Seasonally Adjusted......		(7.1)		(7.5)		(10.0)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	June '84	May '84	June '83
All Items..............	310.7	309.7	298.1
Percent Change From....	xxx	+ 0.3	+ 4.2

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	June'84	May'84	June'83 (R)	Percent Change to June 1984 from:	
				May'84	June'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,490	8,460	8,620	+ 0.4	- 1.5
Manufacturing	2,900	2,900	2,980	0.0	- 2.7
Nonmanufacturing	5,590	5,560	5,640	+ 0.5	- 0.9
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	169,720	168,510	168,480	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
Manufacturing	59,720	59,710	58,300	0.0	+ 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	110,000	108,800	110,180	+ 1.1	- 0.2
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	24,100	23,780	22,760	+ 1.3	+ 5.9
Manufacturing	9,720	9,640	8,560	+ 0.8	+ 13.6
Nonmanufacturing	14,380	14,140	14,200	+ 1.7	+ 1.3
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	76,680	75,540	72,950	+ 1.5	+ 5.1
Manufacturing	28,290	27,940	25,890	+ 1.3	+ 9.3
Nonmanufacturing	48,390	47,600	47,060	+ 1.7	+ 2.8
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,720	21,620	21,180	+ 0.5	+ 2.6
Manufacturing	10,080	10,060	9,560	+ 0.2	+ 5.4
Nonmanufacturing	11,640	11,560	11,620	+ 0.7	+ 0.2
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	413,480	409,560	407,480*	+ 1.0	+ 1.5
Manufacturing	88,750	88,010	86,920	+ 0.8	+ 2.1
Nonmanufacturing	324,730	321,550	320,560*	+ 1.0	+ 1.3
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,910	22,630	22,530	+ 1.2	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	5,250	5,220	5,200	+ 0.6	+ 1.0
Nonmanufacturing	17,660	17,410	17,330	+ 1.4	+ 1.9
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	50,730	49,290	47,090	+ 2.9	+ 7.7
Manufacturing	14,630	14,550	14,830	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Nonmanufacturing	36,100	34,740	32,260	+ 3.9	+ 11.9
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	59,860	59,860	59,620	0.0	+ 0.4
Manufacturing	24,140	24,180	24,350	- 0.2	- 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	35,720	35,680	35,270	+ 0.1	+ 1.3
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	199,400	198,740	191,340*	+ 0.3	+ 4.2
Manufacturing	39,310	39,520	38,410	- 0.5	+ 2.3
Nonmanufacturing	160,090	159,220	152,930*	+ 0.5	+ 4.7
NEW LONDON/NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	105,820*	104,540*	100,860*	+ 1.2	+ 4.9
Manufacturing	35,720*	35,650*	33,870*	+ 0.2	+ 5.5
Nonmanufacturing	70,100	68,890	66,990	+ 1.8	+ 4.6
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	68,300	67,530	67,140	+ 1.1	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	21,860	21,880	21,720	- 0.1	+ 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	46,440	45,650	45,420	+ 1.7	+ 2.2

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	June'84	May'84	June'83 (R)	Percent Change to June 1984 from: May'84	June'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	115,910	114,300	114,680	+ 1.4	+ 1.1
Manufacturing	31,270	30,990	31,190	+ 0.9	+ 0.3
Nonmanufacturing	84,640	83,310	83,490	+ 1.6	+ 1.4
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	29,050	28,660	28,860	+ 1.4	+ 0.7
Manufacturing	9,020	9,020	8,860	0.0	+ 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	20,030	19,640	20,000	+ 2.0	+ 0.2
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	88,930	87,870	87,520	+ 1.2	+ 1.6
Manufacturing	30,010	29,980	29,560	+ 0.1	+ 1.5
Nonmanufacturing	58,920	57,890	57,960	+ 1.8	+ 1.7
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	20,330	22,420	19,520	- 9.3	+ 4.2
Manufacturing	2,430	2,430	2,550	0.0	- 4.7
Nonmanufacturing	17,900	19,990	16,970	- 10.5	+ 5.5

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* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983	June 1984	May 1984	June 1983
Ansonia	$446.81	$425.54	$409.84	45.5	43.6	43.6	$9.82	$9.76	$9.40
Bridgeport	395.38	402.66	386.82	41.1	41.9	42.0	9.62	9.61	9.21
Bristol	437.99	453.10	397.44	42.4	43.4	41.1	10.33	10.44	9.67
Danbury	374.98	377.58	354.38	43.4	43.6	42.8	8.64	8.66	8.28
Danielson	327.64	321.47	320.39	40.7	39.3	40.3	8.05	8.18	7.95
Hartford	411.87	415.65	381.19	42.2	42.5	40.9	9.76	9.78	9.32
Meriden	349.78	358.13	317.98	42.5	43.2	39.5	8.23	8.29	8.05
Middletown	389.75	382.94	360.70	41.2	41.0	39.9	9.46	9.34	9.04
New Britain	402.70	397.95	370.23	42.3	42.2	41.0	9.52	9.43	9.03
New Haven	368.83	368.42	336.69	40.8	40.8	38.7	9.04	9.03	8.70
New London/ Norwich	408.36	405.73	383.67	41.0	40.9	40.6	9.96	9.92	9.45
Norwalk	420.77	420.82	364.50	46.7	46.5	43.6	9.01	9.05	8.36
Stamford	375[illegible]	380.80	333.06	41.5	41.8	39.0	9.05	9.11	8.54
Torrington	296[illegible]0	300.33	270.95	41.7	42.3	40.2	7.12	7.10	6.74
Waterbury	340.95	341.10	316.41	43.6	43.9	42.7	7.82	7.77	7.41
Willimantic	340.72	335.79	299.36	41.3	40.9	40.4	8.25	8.21	7.41

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names for the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment		Personal Income Millions
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Seasonally Adj.
1983							
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2	3798.4
Feb....	1399.0	1420.5	5308	6472	7.6	6.9	3819.5
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8	3825.9
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6	3833.9
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2	3848.3
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9	3856.8
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8	3894.1
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4	3922.3
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5	3969.6
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4	4013.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2	4046.5
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1	4071.6
1984							
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6	4116.3
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6	4148.9
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6	4158.2
Apr....	1474.6	1476.1	3362	3965	4.3	4.4	4165.2
May....	1486.1	1477.2	3006	3929	4.1	4.5	4183.7
Jun....	1499.0	1482.7	3710	3695	4.3	4.3	4205.7
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

	Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984						
Jan....	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....	10362	11226	42.9	43.1	126.6	122.7
May....	14081	14039	42.4	42.5	126.0	122.0
Jun....	15288	14275	42.4	42.5	126.9	123.0
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	18,793	7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,345	636
Apr	27,760	14,132	25,197
May	23,249	13,000e	98,825p
Jun	21,725	11,700e	1,256p
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

	Federal Loans (000)
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

	Direct Loan Repayments (000)
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

	Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (4/30/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$165,311,456
Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (6/30/84)
$110.9 million (e)

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

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August 1984

Factory vacation shutdowns and school closings were largely responsible for lower employment in Connecticut during July when the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged at 4.3 percent, it is reported by State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro. Elsewhere in the economy, personal income of state residents once again reached an all-time high and there was seasonally adjusted improvement in several indicators.

Employment, Wages and Hours: July's non-farm employment of 1,485,700 was down from 1,499,000 in June but 43,100 above July last year (page 2). The monthly decline is considered less than the average drop experienced between June and July. Vacation shutdowns accounted for a 7,300 decrease in manufacturing employment. In non-manufacturing, a gain of 12.9 percent (1,100 jobs) in the hotel category, a 3.5 percent increase in construction employment (2,100 jobs) and seasonal boosts in various trade categories were offset by lower government employment and transportation reflecting summer furloughs for school support staff personnel. Compared with a year ago, manufacturing employment was up by 4.9 percent and non-manufacturing 2.3 percent this July.

Both weekly and hourly wages of factory production workers increased in July to $390.01 and $9.22, respectively, up from $389.23 and $9.18 the month before and $363.85 and $8.81 in 1983 (page 3). Adjusted for a straight-time, 40-hour week, earnings were $8.80 per hour and $352 weekly, 3.7 percent above July 1983. Labor markets with the highest weekly factory wages were Bristol, Ansonia, New London/Norwich, Hartford, Norwalk and New Britain (page 6).

Unemployment: There was an unemployment increase from June's 71,800 to 73,700 in July which compared with 98,200 a year ago (page 4). The unchanged 4.3 percent seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained well under the nation's 7.5 percent July rate and the 5.8 percent state figure for last July. Unemployment dropped in three areas, remained the same in four and increased in nine (page 4). Included in the unemployment estimate are people receiving unemployment compensation, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired and those entering or reentering the labor force. There were an estimated 25,400 persons filing continued claims for unemployment benefits in July compared with 24,600 in mid-June.

Other Indicators: Personal income of state residents was at a new monthly high of $4-billion, 243-million (page 7) in July and other seasonally adjusted economic indicators were mixed, with lower first-time claims for unemployment benefits and new car registrations, and slightly higher manufacturing output.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

July, 1984

	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983(R)	%Change July '84 over June'84	%Change July '84 over July '83
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,485,700*	1,499,000*	1,442,600*	- 0.9	+ 3.0
Manufacturing..............	410,400*	417,700*	391,100*	- 1.8	+ 4.9
Durable....................	307,600*	312,500*	291,500*	- 1.6	+ 5.5
Lumber & Furniture.......	6,500	6,700	6,000	- 3.0	+ 8.3
Primary Metals...........	15,800*	17,100	15,900	- 7.6	- 0.6
Fabricated Metals........	55,900	58,300	53,000*	- 4.1	+ 5.5
Machinery exc. Elec......	49,600	49,800	46,200	- 0.4	+ 7.4
Electrical Equipment.....	54,900	55,200	49,900	- 0.5	+ 10.0
Transportation Equipment.	82,300*	82,400*	79,400*	- 0.1	+ 3.6
Instruments & Clocks.....	27,700	28,000	26,900	- 1.1	+ 3.0
Other Durable............	14,900	15,000	14,200	- 0.7	+ 4.9
Nondurable................	102,800	105,200	99,600	- 2.3	+ 3.2
Food.....................	13,000	13,800	13,400	- 5.8	- 3.0
Textiles.................	6,500	7,200	6,800	- 9.7	- 4.4
Apparel..................	9,600	9,700	8,300	- 1.0	+ 15.6
Paper....................	10,700	10,800	10,200	- 0.9	+ 4.9
Printing & Publishing....	25,800	26,500	25,100	- 2.6	+ 2.8
Chemicals................	22,400	22,400	22,000	0.0	+ 1.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,000	13,000	12,200	0.0	+ 6.6
Other Nondurable.........	1,800	1,800	1,600	0.0	+ 12.5
Nonmanufacturing...........	1,075,300	1,081,300	1,051,500*	- 0.6	+ 2.3
Construction & Mining.....	61,900	59,800	59,300	+ 3.5	+ 4.4
Transportation............	30,100	32,400	29,600	- 7.1	+ 1.7
Motor Freight & Warehsng.	12,300	12,300	12,400	0.0	- 0.8
Other Transportation.....	17,800	20,100	17,200	- 11.4	+ 3.5
Communications............	19,600	19,500	18,800	+ 0.5	+ 4.3
Utilities.................	12,800	12,800	12,500	0.0	+ 2.4
Trade.....................	321,400	320,300	314,000*	+ 0.3	+ 2.4
Wholesale................	74,400	73,600	74,400*	+ 1.1	0.0
Retail...................	247,000	246,700	239,600	+ 0.1	+ 3.1
General Merchandise.....	33,600	33,400	31,300	+ 0.6	+ 7.4
Food Stores.............	45,400	45,200	43,700	+ 0.4	+ 3.9
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta....	26,700	26,400	26,000	+ 1.1	+ 2.7
Restaurants.............	74,500	74,500	72,500	0.0	+ 2.8
Other Retail Trade......	66,800	67,200	66,100	- 0.6	+ 1.1
Finance, Ins. & R.E.......	123,200	122,600	119,900	+ 0.5	+ 2.8
Banking..................	28,000	27,800	27,700	+ 0.7	+ 1.1
Insurance................	69,500	69,400	67,900	+ 0.1	+ 2.4
Real Estate..............	11,300	11,200	10,700	+ 0.9	+ 5.6
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	14,400	14,200	13,600	+ 1.4	+ 5.9
Services..................	329,200	327,800	321,100	+ 0.4	+ 2.5
Hotels...................	9,600	8,500	9,300	+ 12.9	+ 3.2
Personal Services........	15,500	15,600	14,900	- 0.6	+ 4.0
Business Services........	67,300	66,500	64,800	+ 1.2	+ 3.9
Health Services..........	109,100	109,800	106,100	- 0.6	+ 2.8
Law & Professional.......	23,000	23,200	22,400	- 0.9	+ 2.7
Educational Services.....	29,600	30,400	28,600	- 2.6	+ 3.5
Other Services...........	75,100	73,800	75,000	+ 1.8	+ 0.1
Government................	177,100	186,100	176,300	- 4.8	+ 0.5
Federal..................	22,000	21,800	21,800	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
State & Local............	155,100	164,300	154,500	- 5.6	+ 0.4

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.
(R) Revised Data

EARNINGS AND HOURS - JULY 1984

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$390.01	$389.23	$363.85	42.3	42.4	41.3	$9.22	$9.18	$8.81
Durable Manufacturing.......	402.23	401.46	372.26	42.7	42.8	41.5	9.42	9.38	8.97
Lumber & Furniture.........	282.58	289.67	275.12	40.6	41.5	40.4	6.96	6.98	6.81
Primary Metals.............	455.46	445.41	412.70	45.5	44.9	42.9	10.01	9.92	9.62
Fabricated Metals..........	362.09	368.94	335.38	42.3	42.9	40.8	8.56	8.60	8.22
Machinery..................	445.66	443.56	398.05	44.3	44.4	41.9	10.06	9.99	9.50
Electrical Equipment.......	323.75	320.25	306.68	41.4	40.9	41.0	7.82	7.83	7.48
Transportation Equipment...	484.99	478.50	452.24	42.1	41.9	41.3	11.52	11.42	10.95
Instruments & Clocks.......	403.10	411.18	346.15	45.6	46.2	43.0	8.84	8.90	8.05
Other Durable Mfg..........	353.63	361.20	352.60	41.8	43.0	43.0	8.46	8.40	8.20
Nondurable Manufacturing....	352.23	348.91	336.96	41.1	41.0	40.5	8.57	8.51	8.32
Food.......................	388.94	375.41	349.02	44.4	43.5	41.6	8.76	8.63	8.39
Textiles...................	286.16	286.64	274.91	39.8	40.6	39.9	7.19	7.06	6.89
Apparel....................	215.55	210.61	206.02	37.1	36.5	36.4	5.81	5.77	5.66
Paper......................	443.10	434.11	409.37	45.4	44.8	44.4	9.76	9.69	9.22
Printing & Publishing......	337.72	341.24	330.71	37.4	38.0	37.2	9.03	8.98	8.89
Chemicals..................	434.52	439.56	416.79	42.6	42.8	42.4	10.20	10.27	9.83
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	312.66	305.62	309.09	41.8	41.3	41.6	7.48	7.40	7.43
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	286.44	294.42	269.40	38.5	39.1	39.1	7.44	7.53	6.89
Construction................	635.58	656.87	559.03	39.6	40.2	37.9	16.05	16.34	14.75

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	July 1984		June 1984(R)		July 1983(R)	
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals*Actual......	73,700	4.4	71,800	4.3	98,200	6.0
Seasonally Adjusted....		(4.3)		(4.3)		(5.8)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia................	1,000	6.1	1,000	5.9	1,300	8.0
Bridgeport.............	9,800	5.0	9,800	5.0	13,300	6.9
Bristol................	1,900	5.4	1,700	4.6	2,700	8.2
Danbury................	3,700	3.5	3,700	3.4	4,700	4.7
Danielson..............	1,900	6.0	1,700	5.6	2,300	7.6
Hartford...............	16,100	4.0	16,200	4.0	22,100	5.6
Meriden................	1,900	6.8	1,700	6.1	2,800	10.0
Middletown.............	2,500	3.8	2,600	4.0	3,700	6.1
New Britain............	4,000	5.6	3,400	4.8	5,700	8.0
New Haven..............	9,400	4.4	9,900	4.7	13,200	6.5
New London/Norwich.....	4,900	4.0	4,800	3.9	5,100	4.4
Norwalk................	3,300	3.8	3,200	3.8	3,500	4.3
Stamford...............	3,400	2.6	3,500	2.7	4,900	3.9
Torrington.............	2,600	6.2	2,500	6.0	3,700	8.7
Waterbury..............	6,400	5.8	5,200	4.8	7,600	7.3
Willimantic............	900	3.5	900	3.5	1,600	6.2
U.S. Total - Actual......	8,714,000	7.5	8,582,000	7.4	10,707,000	9.4
Seasonally Adjusted......		(7.5)		(7.1)		(9.5)

* State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
(R) Revised

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	July '84	June'84	July '83
All Items.............	311.7	310.7	299.3
Percent Change From.....	xxx	+ 0.3	+ 4.1

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

				Percent Change to July 1984 from:	
Area	July'84	June'84	July'83 (R)	June'84	July'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,390	8,490	8,390	- 1.2	0.0
Manufacturing	2,970	2,900	3,000	+ 2.4	- 1.0
Nonmanufacturing	5,420	5,590	5,390	- 3.0	- 0.6
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	167,950	169,720	165,880	- 1.0	- 1.2
Manufacturing	59,260	59,720	57,340	- 0.7	- 3.3
Nonmanufacturing	108,690	110,000	108,540	- 1.2	+ 0.1
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,450	24,100	20,870	- 6.8	+ 7.6
Manufacturing	8,440	9,720	7,230	- 13.1	+ 16.7
Nonmanufacturing	14,010	14,380	13,640	- 2.6	+ 2.7
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	75,420*	76,680	71,580*	- 1.6	+ 5.4
Manufacturing	28,140*	28,290	25,840	- 0.5	+ 8.9
Nonmanufacturing	47,280	48,390	45,740*	- 2.3	+ 3.4
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,100	21,720	20,630	- 2.9	+ 2.3
Manufacturing	9,950	10,080	9,350	- 1.3	+ 6.4
Nonmanufacturing	11,150	11,640	11,280	- 4.2	- 1.2
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	410,070	413,480	401,480	- 0.3	+ 2.1
Manufacturing	88,370	88,750	85,180	- 0.4	+ 3.7
Nonmanufacturing	321,700	324,730	316,300	- 0.3	+ 1.7
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,710	22,910	22,200	- 0.9	+ 2.3
Manufacturing	5,110	5,250	4,670	- 2.7	+ 9.4
Nonmanufacturing	17,600	17,660	17,530	- 0.3	+ 0.4
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	50,830	50,730	46,430	+ 0.2	+ 9.5
Manufacturing	14,460	14,630	14,480	- 1.2	- 0.1
Nonmanufacturing	36,370	36,100	31,950	+ 0.7	+ 13.8
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	58,870	59,860	58,150*	- 1.7	+ 1.2
Manufacturing	23,670	24,140	23,530*	- 1.9	+ 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	35,200	35,720	34,620	- 1.5	+ 1.7
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	201,180*	199,400	188,060*	+ 0.9	+ 7.0
Manufacturing	39,740*	39,310	37,320	+ 1.1	+ 6.5
Nonmanufacturing	161,440*	160,090	150,740*	+ 0.8	+ 7.1
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	106,140*	105,820*	101,260*	+ 0.3	+ 4.8
Manufacturing	36,360*	35,720*	34,090*	+ 1.8	+ 6.6
Nonmanufacturing	69,780	70,100	67,170	- 0.4	+ 3.9
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	68,590	68,300	66,790	+ 0.4	+ 2.7
Manufacturing	22,110	21,860	21,690	+ 1.1	+ 1.9
Nonmanufacturing	46,480	46,440	45,100	+ 0.1	+ 3.1

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	July'84	June'84	July'83 (R)	Percent Change to July 1984 from:	
				June'84	July'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	115,390	115,910	113,640	- 0.4	+ 1.5
Manufacturing	31,430	31,270	30,880	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	83,960	84,640	82,760	- 0.8	+ 1.4
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,970	29,050	28,630	- 0.3	+ 1.2
Manufacturing	8,890	9,020	8,680	- 1.4	+ 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	20,080	20,030	19,950	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	86,540*	88,930	84,210	- 2.7	+ 2.8
Manufacturing	28,010*	30,010	26,940	- 6.7	+ 4.0
Nonmanufacturing	58,530	58,920	57,270	- 0.7	+ 2.2
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	19,780	20,330	19,870	- 2.7	- 0.4
Manufacturing	2,420	2,430	2,530	- 0.4	- 4.3
Nonmanufacturing	17,360	17,900	17,310	- 3.0	+ 0.3

(R) Revised

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983	July 1984	June 1984	July 1983
Ansonia	$440.38	$446.81	$424.65	44.8	45.5	44.7	$9.83	$9.82	$9.50
Bridgeport	396.06	395.38	389.85	41.0	41.1	42.1	9.66	9.62	9.26
Bristol	444.26	437.99	402.66	42.8	42.4	41.9	10.38	10.33	9.61
Danbury	375.40	374.98	347.71	43.5	43.4	42.3	8.63	8.64	8.22
Danielson	332.03	327.64	317.17	40.1	40.7	39.4	8.28	8.05	8.05
Hartford	414.96	411.87	391.23	42.3	42.2	41.4	9.81	9.76	9.45
Meriden	364.46	349.78	334.97	43.7	42.5	40.9	8.34	8.23	8.19
Middletown	393.86	389.75	365.60	41.9	41.2	40.0	9.40	9.46	9.14
New Britain	400.14	402.70	371.28	41.9	42.3	40.8	9.55	9.52	9.10
New Haven	369.08	368.83	340.26	41.1	40.8	39.2	8.98	9.04	8.68
New London/ Norwich	427.25	408.36	388.82	41.4	41.0	40.8	10.32	9.96	9.53
Norwalk	404.50	420.77	367.95	45.5	46.7	43.7	8.89	9.01	8.42
Stamford	380.70	375.58	346.93	42.3	41.5	40.2	9.00	9.05	8.63
Torrington	303.71	296.90	268.77	42.3	41.7	39.7	7.18	7.12	6.77
Waterbury	331.85	340.95	312.80	42.6	43.6	42.5	7.79	7.82	7.36
Willimantic	343.62	340.72	310.90	41.4	41.3	41.9	8.30	8.25	7.42

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment		Personal Income Millions
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Seasonally Adj.
1983							
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2	3798.4
Feb....	1399.0	1420.5	5308	6472	7.6	6.9	3819.5
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8	3825.9
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6	3833.9
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2	3848.3
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9	3856.8
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8	3894.1
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4	3922.3
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5	3969.6
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4	4013.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2	4046.5
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1	4071.6
1984							
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6	4116.3
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6	4148.9
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6	4158.2
Apr....	1474.6	1476.1	3362	3965	4.3	4.4	4165.2
May....	1486.1	1477.2	3006	3929	4.1	4.5	4183.7
Jun....	1499.0	1482.7	3710	3695	4.3	4.3	4205.7
Jul....	1485.7	1493.2	5902	4010	4.4	4.3	4243.9
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

	Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984						
Jan....	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....	10362	11226	42.9	43.1	126.6	122.7
May....	14081	14039	42.4	42.5	126.0	122.0
Jun....	15288	14275	42.4	42.5	126.9	123.0
Jul....	12301	13698	42.3	42.6	109.0	124.3
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan '83	65,979	$30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan '84	38,570	18,793	7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,345	636
Apr	27,760	14,132	25,197
May	23,249	12,743	98,801
Jun	21,725	10,700e	1,256p
Jul	24,122	12,100e	20,738p
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

Federal Loans (000)	
1972	$31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

Direct Loan Repayments (000)	
1976	$26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)	
1975	$12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (6/30/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$165,368,554

Interest bearing:
$63,806,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (7/30/84)

$119.9 million (e)

* Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

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September 1984

Factory vacation shutdowns and other seasonal factors lowered employment during August as the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged and several economic indicators improved over the month, State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro reports.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Temporary summer closings and seasonal conditions combined to bring nonfarm employment down by 7,500 to 1,478,200 which was 49,100 above the employment level in August last year (page 2). Nearly all of the monthly drop resulted from vacation shutdowns in manufacturing where employment at 403,400 was 12,600 higher than a year ago. Construction added 1,000 jobs over the month, up 5 percent from 1983. Trade, hotels and business services were among other nonmanufacturing categories registering monthly gains.

Factory wages, hours and workweek, reflecting temporary shutdowns, were lower in August when the average weekly pay was $383.72 at $9.18 an hour for a 41.8-hour workweek (page 3). This compared with $364.79 weekly at $8.79 per hour for a 41.5-hour week a year ago. Adjusted to a straight-time, 40-hour week, wages were $8.79 hourly and $351.60 weekly in August, 4 percent above last year's $8.45 hourly and $338 weekly rates. Once again, factory workers in Bristol and Ansonia were paid the highest weekly wage, $437.42 and $426.30 respectively, followed by New London/Norwich, $415.95; Hartford, $408.39; New Britain, $400.68 and Norwalk, $399.60 (page 6).

Unemployment: Unemployment in the state decreased by 2,800 to 70,900 or 4.2 percent (from 4.4 percent in July) with the seasonally adjusted 4.3 percent rate unchanged (page 4). Last August's unemployment stood at 87,100 for a 5.4 percent rate. Connecticut unemployment remained substantially under the nation's 7.5 percent seasonally adjusted August rate. Unemployment was lower in 10 labor market areas, unchanged in five others and increased by 100 in Stamford.

Included in the estimate are people receiving unemployment benefits, others whose benefits expired or who were ineligible and those entering or reentering the labor force. An estimated 26,600 persons were filing continued claims for compensation, 10,800 fewer than last year.

Other Economic Indicators: Elsewhere in the state's economy (page 7), new automobile registrations were up from July and substantially higher than August 1983, personal income of state residents hit a record high of $4 billion, 266-million and first-time filings for unemployment compensation dropped to the lowest level in 15 years.

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A 1983 profile of Connecticut's labor force, and a report on federally-designated Labor Surplus Areas in the state are attached.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

August 1984

	August 1984	July 1984	August 1983(R)	% Change Aug. '84 over July '84	% Change Aug. '84 over Aug. '83
Total Nonag. Employment....	1,478,200*	1,485,700*	1,429,100*	- 0.5	+ 3.4
Manufacturing............	403,400*	410,400*	390,800*	- 1.7	+ 3.2
Durable..................	300,300*	307,600*	289,000*	- 2.4	+ 3.9
Lumber & Furniture......	6,900	6,500	6,100	+ 6.2	+ 13.1
Primary Metals..........	16,400*	15,800*	16,300	+ 3.8	+ 0.6
Fabricated Metals.......	55,600*	55,900*	52,500*	- 0.5	+ 5.9
Machinery exc. Elec.....	47,300	49,600	44,900	- 4.6	+ 5.3
Electrical Equipment....	53,600	54,900	50,100	- 2.4	+ 7.0
Transportation Equipment	78,500*	82,300*	76,900*	- 4.6	+ 2.1
Instruments & Clocks....	27,300	27,700	27,000	- 1.4	+ 1.1
Other Durable...........	14,700	14,900	15,200	- 1.3	- 3.3
Nondurable..............	103,100	102,800	101,800	+ 0.3	+ 1.3
Food....................	13,400	13,000	13,700	+ 3.1	- 2.2
Textile.................	6,500	6,500	7,000	0.0	- 7.1
Apparel.................	9,600	9,600	9,500	0.0	+ 1.1
Paper...................	10,500	10,700	10,300	- 1.9	+ 1.9
Printing & Publishing...	25,900	25,800	25,100	+ 0.4	+ 3.2
Chemicals...............	22,400	22,400	21,900	0.0	+ 2.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics.	13,000	13,000	12,700	0.0	+ 2.4
Other Nondurable........	1,800	1,800	1,600	0.0	+ 12.5
Nonmanufacturing..........	1,074,800	1,075,300	1,038,300*	- 0.0**	+ 3.5
Construction & Mining....	62,900	61,900	59,900*	+ 1.6	+ 5.0
Transportation...........	30,000	30,100	29,600	- 0.3	+ 1.4
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	12,400	12,300	12,400	+ 0.8	0.0
Other Transportation....	17,600	17,800	17,200	- 1.1	+ 2.3
Communications...........	19,800	19,600	9,000*	+ 1.0	+120.0
Utilities................	12,800	12,800	12,500	0.0	+ 2.4
Trade....................	321,800	321,400	314,300*	+ 0.1	+ 2.4
Wholesale...............	74,300	74,400	74,200*	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Retail..................	247,500	247,000	240,100	+ 0.2	+ 3.1
General Merchandise....	33,400	33,600	31,500	- 0.6	+ 6.0
Food Stores............	45,800	45,400	44,000	+ 0.9	+ 4.1
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	26,700	26,700	26,000	0.0	+ 2.7
Restaurants............	74,400	74,500	72,300	+ 0.1	+ 2.9
Other Retail Trade.....	67,200	66,800	66,300	+ 0.6	+ 1.4
Finance, Ins. & R.E......	122,900	123,200	120,100	- 0.2	+ 2.3
Banking.................	27,900	28,000	27,500	- 0.4	+ 1.5
Insurance...............	69,300	69,500	68,300	- 0.3	+ 1.5
Real Estate.............	11,300	11,300	10,700	0.0	+ 5.6
Other Fin.,Ins. & R.E...	14,400	14,400	13,600	0.0	+ 5.9
Sevices..................	328,000	329,200	319,000	+ 0.4	+ 2.8
Hotel...................	9,800	9,600	9,600	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
Personal Services.......	15,500	15,500	14,800	0.0	+ 4.7
Business Services.......	68,000	67,300	64,100	+ 1.0	+ 6.1
Health Services.........	108,700	109,100	105,800	- 0.4	+ 2.7
Law & Professional......	23,000	23,000	22,300	0.0	+ 3.1
Educational Services....	28,700	29,600	28,000	- 3.0	+ 2.5
Other Services..........	74,300	75,100	74,400	- 1.1	- 0.1
Government...............	176,600	177,100	173,900	- 0.3	+ 1.6
Federal.................	22,100	22,000	21,800	+ 0.5	+ 1.4
State & Local...........	154,500	155,100	152,100	- 0.4	+ 1.6

*Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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**Less than 0.01 percent

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Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Aug. 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1983	Aug. 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1983	Aug. 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$383.72	$390.01	$364.79	41.8	42.3	41.5	$9.18	$9.22	$8.79
Durable Manufacturing.......	396.68	402.23	375.84	42.2	42.7	41.9	9.40	9.42	8.97
Lumber & Furniture.........	286.62	282.58	280.83	41.3	40.6	40.7	6.94	6.96	6.90
Primary Metals............	436.25	455.46	419.24	44.2	45.5	43.4	9.87	10.01	9.66
Fabricated Metals..........	361.64	362.09	347.34	42.1	42.3	42.0	8.59	8.56	8.27
Machinery..................	431.00	445.66	400.79	43.1	44.3	42.1	10.00	10.06	9.52
Electrical Equipment.......	322.64	323.75	312.08	41.1	41.4	41.5	7.85	7.82	7.52
Transportation Equipment...	482.47	484.99	445.94	41.7	42.1	40.8	11.57	11.52	10.93
Instruments and Clocks.....	395.12	403.10	354.67	44.9	45.6	43.2	8.80	8.84	8.21
Other Durable Mfg..........	349.29	353.63	359.21	40.9	41.8	43.7	8.54	8.46	8.22
Nondurable Manufacturing....	346.32	352.23	330.30	40.6	41.1	40.4	8.53	8.57	8.25
Food.......................	380.14	388.94	353.64	44.1	44.4	42.0	8.62	8.76	8.42
Textiles...................	273.54	286.16	272.74	38.8	39.8	39.7	7.05	7.19	6.87
Apparel....................	222.50	215.55	212.82	38.1	37.1	37.6	5.84	5.81	5.66
Paper......................	422.92	443.10	401.28	43.6	45.4	44.0	9.70	9.76	9.12
Printing & Publishing......	338.68	337.72	333.31	37.3	37.4	37.2	9.08	9.03	8.96
Chemicals..................	433.15	434.52	401.58	42.3	42.6	41.4	10.24	10.20	9.70
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	307.02	312.66	312.75	41.1	41.8	41.7	7.47	7.48	7.50
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	266.01	286.44	263.87	37.1	38.5	36.7	7.17	7.44	7.19
Construction................	628.80	635.88	583.69	40.0	39.6	38.3	15.72	16.05	15.24

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	August 1984		July 1984		August 1983(R)	
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals* Actual...	70,900	4.2	73,700	4.4	87,100	5.4
Seasonally Adjusted...		(4.3)		(4.3)		(5.4)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia..............	1,000	6.0	1,000	6.1	1,300	7.7
Bridgeport...........	9,700	5.0	9,800	5.0	12,400	6.5
Bristol..............	1,700	4.8	1,900	5.4	2,400	7.1
Danbury..............	3,600	3.4	3,700	3.5	4,100	4.1
Danielson............	1,600	5.3	1,900	6.0	1,900	6.4
Hartford.............	15,900	4.0	16,100	4.0	19,800	5.1
Meriden..............	1,700	6.1	1,900	6.8	2,400	8.5
Middletown...........	2,500	3.7	2,500	3.8	3,000	5.1
New Britain..........	3,500	5.1	4,000	5.6	4,700	6.8
New Haven............	9,500	4.4	9,400	4.4	12,500	6.2
New London/Norwich...	4,900	4.0	4,900	4.0	4,700	4.0
Norwalk..............	3,100	3.6	3,300	3.8	3,000	3.6
Stamford.............	3,500	2.7	3,400	2.6	4,600	3.6
Torrington...........	2,300	5.6	2,600	6.2	3,300	7.9
Waterbury............	5,500	5.1	6,400	5.8	5,900	5.7
Willimantic..........	900	3.5	900	3.5	1,100	4.3
U.S. Total - Actual....	8,382,000	7.3	8,714,000	7.5	10,411,000	9.2
Seasonally Adjusted....		(7.5)		(7.5)		(9.5)

*State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
(R) Revised

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Aug. '84	July '84	Aug. '83
All Items..........	313.0	311.7	300.3
Percent Change From.....	xxx	+ 0.4	+ 4.2

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Aug.'84	July'84	Aug.'83 (R)	Percent Change to August 1984 from: July'84	Aug.'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,350	8,390	8,180	- 0.5	+ 2.1
Manufacturing	2,920	2,970	2,910	- 1.7	- 0.3
Nonmanufacturing	5,430	5,420	5,270	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	168,160	167,950	165,250*	+ 0.1	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	58,910	59,260	57,840	- 0.6	+ 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	109,250	108,690	107,410*	+ 0.5	+ 1.7
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,320	22,450	21,840*	+ 3.9	+ 6.8
Manufacturing	9,340	8,440	8,310	+ 10.7	+ 12.4
Nonmanufacturing	13,980	14,010	13,530*	- 0.2	+ 3.3
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	75,460	75,420*	71,250*	+ 0.1	+ 5.9
Manufacturing	28,340	28,140*	25,690	+ 0.7	+ 10.3
Nonmanufacturing	47,120	47,280	45,560*	- 0.3	+ 3.4
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,160	21,100	21,150	+ 0.3	+ 0.1
Manufacturing	9,900	9,950	9,760	- 0.5	+ 1.4
Nonmanufacturing	11,260	11,150	11,390	+ 1.0	- 1.1
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	406,200	410,070	395,800*	- 0.9	+ 2.6
Manufacturing	85,620	88,370	82,300	- 3.1	+ 4.0
Nonmanufacturing	320,580	321,700	313,500*	- 0.3	+ 2.3
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,700	22,710	22,250	- 0.1	+ 2.0
Manufacturing	5,130	5,110	5,090	+ 0.4	+ 0.8
Nonmanufacturing	17,570	17,600	17,160	- 0.2	+ 2.4
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	50,760	50,830	45,980	- 0.1	+ 10.4
Manufacturing	13,950	14,460	14,370	- 3.5	- 2.9
Nonmanufacturing	36,810	36,370	31,610	+ 1.2	+ 16.4
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	58,550	58,870	58,380*	- 0.5	+ 0.3
Manufacturing	23,110	23,670	24,520*	- 2.4	- 5.8
Nonmanufacturing	35,440	35,200	33,860*	+ 0.7	+ 4.7
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	202,220*	201,180*	184,490	+ 0.5	+ 9.6
Manufacturing	39,540*	39,740*	37,270	- 0.5	+ 6.1
Nonmanufacturing	162,680	161,440*	147,220	+ 0.8	+ 10.5
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	106,290*	106,140*	101,600	+ 0.1	+ 4.6
Manufacturing	36,040*	36,360*	34,090	- 0.9	+ 5.7
Nonmanufacturing	70,250	69,780	67,510	+ 0.7	+ 4.1
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	68,260	68,590	66,370*	- 0.5	+ 2.8
Manufacturing	21,800	22,110	21,610	- 1.4	+ 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	46,460	46,480	44,760*	- 0.1	+ 3.8

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Aug.'84	July'84	Aug.'83 (R)	Percent Change to August 1984 from: July'84	Aug.'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	114,700	115,390	112,720*	- 0.6	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	30,800	31,430	30,590	- 2.0	+ 0.7
Nonmanufacturing	83,900	83,960	82,130*	- 0.1	+ 2.2
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	29,140	28,970	28,730	+ 0.6	+ 1.4
Manufacturing	8,960	8,890	8,890	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Nonmanufacturing	20,180	20,080	19,840	+ 0.5	+ 1.7
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	87,950*	86,540*	84,740*	+ 1.6	+ 3.8
Manufacturing	29,620*	28,010*	28,110	+ 5.7	+ 5.4
Nonmanufacturing	58,330	58,530	56,630*	- 0.3	+ 3.0
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	19,600	19,780	19,690	- 0.9	- 0.4
Manufacturing	2,420	2,420	2,480	0.0	- 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	17,180	17,360	17,210	- 1.0	- 0.2

(R) Revised

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug. 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1983	Aug. 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1983	Aug. 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1983
Ansonia	$426.30	$440.38	$421.36	43.5	44.8	43.8	$9.80	$9.83	$9.62
Bridgeport	384.24	396.06	392.54	39.9	41.0	42.3	9.63	9.66	9.28
Bristol	437.42	444.26	407.23	42.8	42.8	42.2	10.22	10.38	9.65
Danbury	374.54	375.40	359.35	43.3	43.5	43.4	8.65	8.63	8.28
Danielson	327.24	332.03	305.63	40.4	40.1	37.5	8.10	8.28	8.15
Hartford	408.39	414.96	385.81	41.8	42.3	41.0	9.77	9.81	9.41
Meriden	323.52	364.46	285.11	40.9	43.7	36.6	7.91	8.34	7.79
Middletown	385.06	393.86	361.38	41.9	41.9	39.8	9.19	9.40	9.08
New Britain	400.68	400.14	380.30	42.0	41.9	41.7	9.54	9.55	9.12
New Haven	367.11	369.08	340.10	40.7	41.1	39.5	9.02	8.98	8.61
New London/ Norwich	415.95	427.25	385.76	40.7	41.4	40.1	10.22	10.32	9.62
Norwalk	399.60	404.50	377.40	44.4	45.5	44.4	9.00	8.89	8.50
Stamford	380.98	380.70	346.73	43.0	42.3	39.9	8.86	9.00	8.69
Torrington	293.13	303.71	271.47	40.6	42.3	39.4	7.22	7.18	6.89
Waterbury	326.83	331.85	326.31	42.5	42.6	43.8	7.69	7.79	7.45
Willimantic	344.45	343.62	305.21	41.4	41.4	41.3	8.32	8.30	7.39

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment		Personal Income Millions
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Seasonally Adj.
1983							
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2	3798.4
Feb....	1399.0	1420.5	5308	6472	7.6	6.9	3819.5
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8	3825.9
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6	3833.9
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2	3848.3
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9	3856.8
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8	3894.1
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4	3922.3
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5	3969.6
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4	4013.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2	4046.5
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1	4071.6
1984							
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6	4116.3
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6	4148.9
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6	4158.2
Apr....	1474.6	1476.1	3362	3965	4.3	4.4	4165.2
May....	1486.1	1477.2	3006	3929	4.1	4.5	4183.7
Jun....	1499.0	1482.7	3710	3695	4.3	4.3	4205.7
Jul....	1485.7	1493.2	5902	4010	4.4	4.3	4243.9
Aug....	1478.2	1496.2	2966	3048	4.2	4.3	4266.7
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

	Auto Registration		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984						
Jan....	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....	10362	11226	42.9	43.1	126.6	122.7
May....	14081	14039	42.4	42.5	126.0	122.0
Jun....	15288	14275	42.4	42.5	126.[illegible]	123.0
Jul....	12301	13698	42.3	42.6	109.0	124.3
Aug....	17301	15420	41.8	42.1	107.5	121.6
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$ 130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan´83	65,979	$ 30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan´84	38,570	18,793	7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,345	636
Apr	27,760	14,132	25,197
May	23,249	12,743	98,801
Jun	21,725	10,175	1,217
Jul	24,122	12,100e	20,738p
Aug	23,792	12,300e	38,016p
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

Federal Loans (000)	
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

Direct Loan Repayments (000)	
1976	$ 26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600
1984	30,876

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)	
1975	$ 12,902
1981	49,951
1982	50,486
1983	53,991

Total Outstanding Loans - (8/31/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$ 164,302,355

Interest bearing:
$ 32,930,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (8/31/84)

$ 116.4p million

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands

NINE CONNECTICUT MUNICIPALITIES LISTED AS LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

A new listing of Connecticut towns designated as labor surplus areas has been released by the U.S. Department of Labor. This list will be effective from October 1, 1984 through September 30, 1985. Employers located in these areas (towns in Connecticut) are eligible for preference in bidding on Federal procurement contracts. The purpose of the preference is to funnel a part of the government's purchasing dollars into areas of severe economic need.

A municipality is classified as a labor surplus area when its average unemployment rate was at least 20 percent above the average unemployment rate for all states (including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico) for the previous two calendar year period. During periods of high national unemployment, the 20 percent ratio is disregarded and an area is classified as a labor surplus area if its unemployment rate was 10 percent or more. This 10 percent "ceiling" concept comes into operation whenever the two-year average unemployment rate for all states was 8.3 percent or above (i.e. 8.3 percent times the 1.20 ratio equals 10.0 percent). Similarly, a "floor" of 6.0 percent is used during periods of low national unemployment in order for an area to qualify as a labor surplus area. The six percent "floor" comes into effect whenever the average unemployment rate for all states during the two-year reference period was 5.0 percent or less.

The classification procedures also provide for the designation of labor surplus areas under "exceptional circumstances" criteria. These procedures permit the regular classification criteria to be waived when an area experiences a significant increase in unemployment which is not temporary or seasonal and which was not adequately reflected in the data for the two-year reference period. In order for an area to be classified as a labor surplus area under the exceptional circumstances criteria, the State employment security agency must submit a petition, requesting such classification, to the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor.

The U.S. Department of Labor issues the labor surplus listing on an annual basis. The listing becomes effective each October 1, and remains in effect through the following September 30. During the course of the year the annual listing is updated on the basis of "exceptional circumstance" petitions submitted by the State employment security agencies and approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

The reference period used in preparing the current list of labor surplus areas was January 1982 through December 1983. The national average unemployment rate during this period (including data for Puerto Rico) was 9.8 percent. Because the national unemployment rate was above 8.3 percent, the 1.20 ratio was not used and the "ceiling" concept was used instead in preparing the annual listing. As a result, areas were included on the annual labor surplus area listing if their average unemployment rate during the reference period was 10.0 percent or above.

The new annual listing of labor surplus areas issued by the U.S. Department of Labor is effective October 1, 1984. The listing will remain in effect through September 30, 1985. Nine towns in Connecticut have been designated as labor surplus areas. They are:

Ansonia
Bristol
Killingly
Plymouth
Putnam
Thomaston
Thompson
Torrington
Winchester

A PROFILE OF THE LABOR FORCE IN CONNECTICUT - 1983

The data on the following page were taken from unpublished tabulations developed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS is a monthly household survey which provides information on labor force status by age, race and sex. For smaller states like Connecticut it is the only source available for reasonably current information regarding these characteristics. Because the sample is not large however, the data are only published once a year, in the form of annual averages. A great deal of caution should be used when evaluating the findings in some of the smaller subgroups represented. More detailed summaries will be published later in the year in the Bureau's Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment.

The 1983 data indicate that the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years old and over remained close to the 1982 level, increasing by only 1,000 to 2,426,200. The greater part of the growth took place in the male segment of the population with an increase of 13,000 to 1,157,000 while the female population showed a decline of 12,000 to 1,281,000. Because of a drop in the birthrate in the state over the last two decades, the youth population continued to decrease although at a slower rate than in previous years, down 2,000 to 199,000. Of that number, the 122,000 in the labor force represents 7.6 percent of all participants.

Improvement in economic conditions reduced the unemployment rate across all segments of the population, for both sexes and for both whites and blacks. Unemployment averaged 97,000 in 1983, down 14,000 from the previous year.

While the outlook improved for jobs for white collar and blue collar workers, professional, technical, sales and service occupations continue to make up a greater proportion of the job market.

Although there was a drop from 18.3 percent to 16.5 percent from the previous year, the highest unemployment was found among youths, ages 16-19, with 20,000 out of 199,000 out of work. Most teenagers entering the workforce found jobs in service, sales and clerical occupations or as laborers.

Unemployment among blacks showed some improvement over the previous year, down from 18,000 to 16,000 unemployed. The data also indicate that women workers continued to make inroads in white collar professions, taking fewer clerical jobs but a greater percentage of the technical, professional and managerial positions.

TABLE I

CONNECTICUT
LABOR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER BY SEX AND RACE
1982 and 1983 ANNUAL AVERAGES
(numbers in thousands)

	Civilian Non-institutional Population 16 Years old and over		CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE				EMPLOYMENT		UNEMPLOYMENT			
			1983		1982		1983	1982	1983		1982	
	1983	1982	Number	Participation Rate	Number	Participation Rate	Number	Number	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
TOTAL	2,426	2,425	1,608	66.3%	1,608	66.3%	1,511	1,497	97	6.0%	111	6.9%
Men	1,157	1,144	900	77.8	898	78.5	843	835	57	6.4	63	7.1
Women	1,269	1,281	708	55.8	710	55.4	669	662	39	5.5	48	6.7
Both Sexes 16-19 years	199	201	122	61.0	121	60.1	102	99	20	16.5	22	18.3
White	2,256	2,267	1,495	66.3	1,493	65.9	1,415	1,400	80	5.3	93	6.2
Men	1,079	1,070	843	78.2	838	78.3	795	788	48	5.7	51	6.1
Women	1,177	1,197	652	55.4	654	54.7	620	612	32	4.8	42	6.4
Both Sexes 16-19 years	177	182	114	64.4	113	62.0	98	97	17	14.5	16	14.2
Black	155	146	102	65.8	108	74.4	86	90	16	16.0	18	16.7
Men	72	70	52	71.3	56	79.8	42	43	9	17.8	12	22.2
Women	83	76	51	61.0	53	69.4	43	47	7	14.2	6	11.0
Both Sexes 16-19 years	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA

INA Information not available - Data are not shown when they do not meet the Bureau of Labor Statistics standards for reliability.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

TABLE II

CONNECTICUT
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYED WORKERS BY SEX AND RACE 1/
1982 and 1983 ANNUAL AVERAGES

		WHITE COLLAR WORKERS					BLUE COLLAR WORKERS					OTHER	
1983	Total employment (thousands)	Total	Prof. & technical workers	Mgrs. & Administrators expt.farm	Sales workers	Clerical workers	Total	Craft & Kindred workers	Operatives except transportation	Transp. equipment operatives	Non-farm laborers	Service workers	Farm workers
Total	1,511	61.4%	20.4%	12.4%	11.0%	17.6%	26.5%	12.0%	8.5%	3.0%	3.0%	11.4%	0.9%
Men	843	51.6	18.5	15.9	11.4	5.8	37.8	19.4	9.1	4.9	4.4	9.2	1.3
Women	669	73.4	22.7	7.9	10.4	32.4	11.9	2.7	7.6	0.5	1.1	14.2	0.4
Both Sexes 16-19 years	102	38.3	1.7	0.5	22.2	13.9	23.3	3.7	4.5	1.9	13.2	34.3	4.2
White (both sexes)	1,415	62.3	20.8	12.7	11.5	17.3	26.0	12.3	7.9	2.8	3.0	10.8	0.9
Black (both sexes)	86	42.5	11.0	7.1	2.6	21.8	35.5	9.5	17.7	5.0	3.3	21.5	0.5
1982													
Total	1,497	60.0	20.9	13.1	6.1	19.9	27.6	12.8	9.7	2.4	2.7	12.0	0.4
Men	835	51.8	21.3	18.0	6.1	6.3	39.3	21.8	9.2	4.1	4.3	8.3	0.7
Women	662	70.4	20.4	6.8	6.2	37.0	12.8	1.6	10.3	0.2	0.6	16.8	2/
Both sexes 16-19 years	99	38.3	2.6	1.6	13.0	21.1	29.3	5.7	8.2	2.7	12.7	31.0	1.4
White (both sexes)	1,400	61.4	21.5	13.6	6.4	19.9	27.2	12.9	9.4	2.3	2.6	11.0	0.4
Black (both sexes)	90	37.9	11.5	3.6	1.9	20.8	34.7	13.0	14.1	4.8	2.8	27.4	2/

1/ Excludes persons with no full time work experience
2/ Fewer than 500 persons employed or less than 0.05 percent of total employment
NOTE: Items may not add to subtotals due to rounding

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CONNECTICUT LABOR SITUATION

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October 1984

Employment in Connecticut and personal income increased to record-breaking levels during September when the average workweek was longer, manufacturing output set a new high for 1984 and unemployment was up one-tenth of one percent, State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro reports.

Employment, Wages and Hours: A gain of 21,200 jobs from August boosted non-farm employment to 1,499,400 in September, topping the previous all-time high of 1,499,000 set in June, and 39,800 above September last year (page 2). Manufacturing jobs increased by 11,900, reflecting the end of summer shutdowns. The reopening of schools was largely responsible for monthly gains in government, transportation and educational services employment in nonmanufacturing which was up 9,300 from August and 28,500 higher than September 1983. General merchandise and other retail trade employment were also up. Employment increased over the month in 14 of the state's 16 labor market areas (pages 5 & 6).

Average weekly wages of factory production workers reached an all-time high of $394.40 and a record $9.28 hourly for a 42.5-hour week (page 3). This compared with $371.18 weekly at $8.88 per hour for a 41.8-hour week in September a year ago. Computed for a straight-time, 40-hour week, hourly wages of $8.51 and $340.40 weekly represented a 3.8 percent increase from 1983. Bristol area workers received the highest weekly paycheck in September, $439.30, followed by Hartford, New Britain, New London/Norwich, Ansonia and Norwalk (page 6).

Unemployment: Unemployment in September was at 71,900 (4.3%), up 1,000 from August (4.2%) and 9,400 below the same month a year ago when joblessness was 81,300 for a 5 percent rate (page 4). September's seasonally adjusted rate went from 4.3 to 4.6 percent which compared with 5.5 percent in 1983. The nation's September seasonally adjusted rate was 7.3 percent. Monthly unemployment dropped in six labor market areas, was unchanged in three and increased in seven. Included in the unemployment estimate are people receiving unemployment compensation, others who were ineligible or whose benefits expired and those entering or reentering the labor force. There were an estimated 21,100 persons filing continued claims in mid-September, down from 26,600 the month before and 9,800 fewer than in September last year.

Other Indicators: Elsewhere in the state's economy, other indicators reflected continued improvement (page 7). In addition to higher employment, personal income of state residents reached a new all-time high, manufacturing expanded to a 1984 record output and the average workweek was longer.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes domestics and self-employed)

	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983 (R)	% Change Sept.'84 over Aug. '84	% Change Sept.'84 over Sept.'83
Total Nonag. Employment.....	1,499,400	1,478,200*	1,459,600*	+ 1.4	+ 2.7
Manufacturing.............	415,300	403,400*	404,000*	+ 2.9	+ 2.8
Durable...................	311,100	300,300*	300,900*	+ 3.6	+ 3.4
Lumber & Furniture.......	7,000	6,900	6,300	+ 1.4	+ 11.1
Primary Metals...........	16,900	16,400*	16,700	+ 3.0	+ 1.2
Fabricated Metals........	58,000	55,600*	55,700	+ 4.3	+ 4.1
Machinery exc. Elec......	49,300	47,300	46,600	+ 4.2	+ 5.8
Electrical Equipment.....	54,000	53,600	52,100	+ 0.7	+ 3.6
Transportation Equipment.	82,900	78,500*	80,600*	+ 5.6	+ 2.9
Instruments & Clocks.....	27,700	27,300	27,500	+ 1.5	+ 0.7
Other Durable............	15,300	14,700	15,400	+ 4.1	- 0.6
Nondurable................	104,200	103,100	103,100	+ 1.1	+ 1.1
Food.....................	13,600	13,400	14,000	+ 1.5	- 2.9
Textiles.................	6,800	6,500	7,000	+ 1.5	- 2.9
Apparel..................	9,800	9,600	9,800	+ 2.1	0.0
Paper....................	10,400	10,500	10,300	- 1.0	+ 1.0
Printing & Publishing....	26,300	25,900	25,500	+ 1.5	+ 3.1
Chemicals................	22,200	22,400	22,000	- 0.9	+ 0.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics..	13,400	13,000	13,000	+ 3.1	+ 3.1
Other Nondurable.........	1,700	1,800	1,500	- 5.6	+ 13.3
Nonmanufacturing...........	1,084,100	1,074,800	1,055,600	+ 0.9	+ 2.7
Construction & Mining.....	62,800	62,900	59,500	- 0.2	+ 5.5
Transportation............	32,600	30,000	32,300	+ 8.7	+ 0.9
Motor Freight & Warehsing	12,500	12,400	12,500	+ 0.8	0.0
Other Transportation.....	20,100	17,600	19,800	+ 14.2	+ 1.5
Communications............	20,000	19,800	18,800	+ 1.0	+ 6.4
Utilities.................	12,800	12,800	12,500	0.0	+ 2.4
Trade.....................	325,800	321,800	317,900	+ 1.2	+ 2.5
Wholesale................	74,800	74,300	74,500	+ 0.7	+ 0.4
Retail...................	251,000	247,500	243,400	+ 1.4	+ 3.1
General Merchandise.....	34,500	33,400	32,300	+ 3.3	+ 6.8
Food Stores.............	46,700	45,800	44,300	+ 2.0	+ 5.4
Auto Dealers & Gas Sta..	26,600	26,700	25,900	- 0.4	+ 2.7
Restaurants.............	75,000	74,400	73,800	- 0.4	+ 2.7
Other Retail Trade......	68,200	67,200	67,100	+ 1.5	+ 1.6
Finance, Ins. & R.E.......	122,000	122,900	119,100	- 0.7	+ 2.4
Banking..................	27,600	27,900	27,100	- 1.1	+ 1.9
Insurance................	68,900	69,300	67,900	- 0.6	+ 1.5
Real Estate..............	11,100	11,300	10,500	- 1.8	+ 5.7
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	14,400	14,400	13,600	0.0	+ 5.9
Services..................	328,000	328,000	318,600	+ 1.6	+ 2.9
Hotels...................	8,600	9,800	8,200	- 12.2	+ 4.9
Personal Services........	15,700	15,500	15,000	+ 1.3	+ 4.7
Business Services........	68,500	68,000	64,600	+ 0.7	+ 6.0
Health Services..........	109,100	108,700	106,700	+ 0.4	+ 2.2
Law & Professional.......	22,900	23,000	22,300	- 0.4	+ 2.7
Educational Services.....	31,300	28,700	31,100	+ 9.1	+ 0.6
Other Services...........	71,900	74,300	70,700	- 3.2	+ 1.7
Government................	180,100	176,600	176,900	+ 2.0	+ 1.8
Federal..................	21,700	22,100	21,600	- 1.8	+ 0.5
State & Local............	158,400	154,500	155,300	+ 2.5	+ 2.0

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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EARNINGS AND HOURS - SEPTEMBER 1984
Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983
Manufacturing (Production and Related Workers)	$394.40	$383.72	$371.18	42.5	41.8	41.8	$9.28	$9.18	$8.88
Durable Manufacturing.......	407.03	396.68	382.27	42.8	42.2	42.1	9.51	9.40	9.08
Lumber & Furniture..........	291.07	286.62	285.94	41.7	41.3	41.5	6.98	6.94	6.89
Primary Metals.............	444.60	436.25	429.34	45.0	44.2	43.9	9.88	9.87	9.78
Fabricated Metals..........	369.79	361.64	346.94	42.8	42.1	41.8	8.64	8.59	8.30
Machinery..................	445.09	431.00	410.02	44.2	43.1	42.8	10.07	10.00	9.58
Electrical Equipment.......	327.98	322.64	311.95	41.1	41.1	41.1	7.98	7.85	7.59
Transportation Equipment...	494.70	482.47	463.83	42.5	41.7	41.9	11.64	11.57	11.07
Instruments & Clocks.......	400.51	395.12	355.24	44.6	44.9	42.8	8.98	8.80	8.30
Other Durable Mfg..........	360.82	349.29	355.21	42.3	40.9	42.9	8.53	8.54	8.28
Nondurable Manufacturing....	353.94	346.32	339.06	41.3	40.6	40.9	8.57	8.53	8.29
Food.......................	386.76	380.14	357.84	44.1	44.1	42.0	8.77	8.62	8.52
Textiles...................	283.91	273.54	271.37	40.1	38.8	39.5	7.08	7.05	6.87
Apparel....................	219.96	222.50	210.56	37.6	38.1	37.4	5.85	5.84	5.63
Paper......................	443.70	422.92	418.57	45.0	43.6	45.3	9.86	9.70	9.24
Printing & Publishing......	348.53	338.68	334.13	38.3	37.3	37.5	9.10	9.08	8.91
Chemicals..................	447.29	433.15	419.05	43.3	42.3	42.5	10.33	10.24	9.86
Rubber & Misc. Plastics....	310.80	307.02	316.50	42.0	41.1	42.2	7.40	7.47	7.50
Other Nondurable Mfg.......	288.04	266.01	290.09	37.9	37.1	40.8	7.60	7.17	7.11
Construction................	633.15	628.80	597.48	40.2	40.0	39.0	15.75	15.72	15.32

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY AREA

	September 1984		August 1984		September 1983(R)	
	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force	Number	Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals* Actual...	71,900	4.3	70,900	4.2	81,300	5.0
Seasonally Adjusted...		(4.6)		(4.3)		(5.5)
Labor Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Ansonia..............	1,000	5.9	1,000	6.0	1,200	7.3
Bridgeport...........	9,700	5.0	9,700	5.0	11,100	5.8
Bristol..............	1,600	4.5	1,700	4.8	2,200	6.4
Danbury..............	3,800	3.5	3,600	3.4	3,900	3.9
Danielson............	1,900	6.1	1,600	5.3	1,800	5.9
Hartford.............	16,000	4.0	15,900	4.0	18,600	4.8
Meriden..............	1,800	6.3	1,700	6.1	2,000	7.2
Middletown...........	2,800	4.1	2,500	3.7	3,000	5.0
New Britain..........	3,500	4.9	3,500	5.1	4,000	5.8
New Haven............	9,300	4.3	9,500	4.4	11,700	5.8
New London/Norwich...	5,500	4.5	4,900	4.0	4,400	3.8
Norwalk..............	3,000	3.7	3,100	3.6	2,900	3.6
Stamford.............	3,600	2.8	3,500	2.7	4,500	3.6
Torrington...........	2,300	5.6	2,300	5.6	2,800	6.9
Waterbury............	5,300	5.0	5,500	5.1	6,100	5.8
Willimantic..........	800	3.3	900	3.5	1,100	4.0
U.S. Total - Actual....	8,051,000	7.0	8,382,000	7.3	9,830,000	8.8
Seasonally Adjusted....		(7.3)		(7.5)		(9.3)

*State totals may not agree with the sum of the area totals due to rounding.
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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Sept'84	Aug'84	Sept'83
All Items..........	314.5	313.0	301.8
Percent Change From.....	xxx	+ 0.5	+ 4.2

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Area	Sept.'84	Aug.'84	Sept.'83(R)	Percent Change to September 1984 from: Aug.'84	Percent Change to September 1984 from: Sept.'83
ANSONIA					
Total Nonag. Employ.	8,490	8,350	8,440	+ 1.7	+ 0.6
Manufacturing	2,860	2,920	2,900	- 2.0	- 1.4
Nonmanufacturing	5,630	5,430	5,540	+ 3.7	+ 1.6
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Employ.	170,180	168,160	168,490*	+ 1.2	+ 1.0
Manufacturing	59,200	58,910	58,120	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	110,980	109,250	110,370*	+ 1.6	+ 0.6
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Employ.	23,840	23,320	22,630	+ 2.2	+ 5.3
Manufacturing	9,700	9,340	8,560	+ 3.8	+ 13.3
Nonmanufacturing	14,140	13,980	14,070	+ 1.1	+ 0.5
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	76,490	75,460	73,380*	+ 1.4	+ 4.2
Manufacturing	28,410	28,340	26,560	+ 0.2	+ 7.0
Nonmanufacturing	48,080	47,120	46,820*	+ 2.0	+ 2.7
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	21,530	21,160	21,510	+ 1.7	+ 0.1
Manufacturing	9,860	9,900	9,840	- 0.4	+ 0.2
Nonmanufacturing	11,670	11,260	11,670	+ 3.6	0.0
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	414,560	406,200	406,150*	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
Manufacturing	88,970	85,620	86,380*	+ 3.9	+ 3.0
Nonmanufacturing	325,590	320,580	319,770	+ 1.6	+ 1.8
MERIDEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	22,790	22,700	23,170	+ 0.4	- 1.6
Manufacturing	5,050	5,130	5,380	- 1.6	- 6.1
Nonmanufacturing	17,740	17,570	17,790	+ 1.0	- 0.3
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	52,440	50,760	47,050	+ 3.3	+ 11.5
Manufacturing	14,380	13,950	14,700	+ 3.1	- 2.2
Nonmanufacturing	38,060	36,810	32,350	+ 3.4	+ 17.7
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	60,660	58,550	59,170	+ 3.6	+ 2.5
Manufacturing	24,090	23,110	23,900	+ 4.2	+ 0.8
Nonmanufacturing	36,570	35,440	35,270	+ 3.2	+ 3.7
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Employ.	204,350	202,220*	192,710*	+ 1.1	+ 6.0
Manufacturing	39,540	39,540*	37,610	0.0	+ 5.1
Nonmanufacturing	164,810	162,680	155,100*	+ 1.3	+ 6.3
NEW LONDON-NORWICH					
Total Nonag. Employ.	107,740	106,290*	102,870*	+ 1.4	+ 4.7
Manufacturing	36,360	36,040*	34,550	+ 0.9	+ 5.2
Nonmanufacturing	71,380	70,250	68,320*	+ 1.6	+ 4.5
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Employ.	67,940	68,260	66,820	- 0.5	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	21,510	21,800	21,970	- 1.3	- 2.1
Nonmanufacturing	46,430	46,460	44,850	- 0.1	+ 3.5

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

				Percent Change to September 1984 from:	
Area	Sept.'84	Aug.'84	Sept.'83 (R)	Aug.'84	Sept.'83
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Employ.	115,590	114,700	113,730	+ 0.8	+ 1.6
Manufacturing	31,080	30,800	30,860	+ 0.9	+ 0.7
Nonmanufacturing	84,510	83,900	82,870	+ 0.7	+ 2.0
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Employ.	28,790	29,140	28,680	- 1.2	+ 0.4
Manufacturing	9,080	8,960	8,820	+ 1.3	+ 2.9
Nonmanufacturing	19,710	20,180	19,860	- 2.3	- 0.8
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Employ.	88,930	87,950*	86,770	+ 1.1	+ 2.5
Manufacturing	30,050	29,620*	28,950	+ 1.5	+ 3.8
Nonmanufacturing	58,880	58,330	57,820	+ 0.9	+ 1.8
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Employ.	20,140	19,600	21,130	+ 2.8	- 4.7
Manufacturing	2,420	2,420	2,460	0.0	- 1.6
Nonmanufacturing	17,720	17,180	18,670	+ 0.3	- 5.1

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* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY LABOR MARKET AREA

MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1984	Sept. 1983
Ansonia	$417.61	$426.30	$431.49	42.7	43.5	44.9	$9.78	$9.80	$9.61
Bridgeport	398.11	384.24	396.44	41.0	39.9	42.4	9.71	9.63	9.35
Bristol	439.30	437.42	407.77	42.9	42.8	42.3	10.24	10.22	9.64
Danbury	386.31	374.54	364.93	44.2	43.3	43.6	8.74	8.65	8.37
Danielson	337.02	327.24	307.35	41.0	40.4	37.3	8.22	8.10	8.24
Hartford	423.16	408.39	395.62	42.7	41.8	41.6	9.91	9.77	9.51
Meriden	339.00	323.52	317.05	41.8	40.9	40.7	8.11	7.91	7.79
Middletown	393.76	385.06	373.63	41.8	41.9	40.7	9.42	9.19	9.18
New Britain	420.22	400.68	384.89	43.1	42.0	41.7	9.75	9.54	9.23
New Haven	375.91	367.11	352.46	41.4	40.7	40.7	9.08	9.02	8.66
New London/ Norwich	418.41	415.95	392.45	40.9	40.7	40.5	10.23	10.22	9.69
Norwalk	404.04	399.60	370.23	44.4	44.4	42.9	9.10	9.00	8.63
Stamford	395.59	380.98	344.60	44.2	43.0	39.7	8.95	8.86	8.68
Torrington	300.35	293.13	272.74	41.6	40.6	39.3	7.22	7.22	6.94
Waterbury	347.25	335.12 (R)	329.94	43.9	42.8 (R)	43.7	7.91	7.83 (R)	7.55
Willimantic	341.96	344.45	292.55	41.3	41.4	38.8	8.28	8.32	7.54

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Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the labor market areas take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment		Personal Income Millions
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Seasonally Adj.
1983							
Jan....	1403.7	1422.5	10813	7869	8.1	7.2	3798.4
Feb....	1399.0	1420.5	5308	6472	7.6	6.9	3819.5
Mar....	1412.2	1426.6	4562	6256	7.2	6.8	3825.9
Apr....	1432.2	1433.8	5046	5948	6.6	6.6	3833.9
May....	1444.6	1436.6	4277	5591	5.9	6.2	3848.3
Jun....	1459.4	1443.1	5352	5330	6.0	5.9	3856.8
Jul....	1442.6	1449.6	7784	5288	6.0	5.8	3894.1
Aug....	1429.1	1447.1	4553	4678	5.4	5.4	3922.3
Sep....	1459.6	1450.8	3477	4888	5.0	5.5	3969.6
Oct....	1465.9	1454.1	3620	4582	4.9	5.4	4013.4
Nov....	1475.8	1460.1	3815	4295	4.8	5.2	4046.5
Dec....	1484.6	1464.4	9006	5570	4.9	5.1	4071.6
1984							
Jan....	1446.7	1465.8	6311	4593	5.3	4.6	4116.3
Feb....	1447.4	1469.4	3535	4311	5.2	4.6	4148.9
Mar....	1457.8	1472.5	2953	4051	4.7	4.6	4158.2
Apr....	1474.6	1476.1	3362	3965	4.3	4.4	4165.2
May....	1486.1	1477.2	3006	3929	4.1	4.5	4183.7
Jun....	1499.0	1482.7	3710	3695	4.3	4.3	4205.7
Jul....	1485.7	1493.2	5902	4010	4.4	4.3	4243.9
Aug....	1478.2	1496.2	2966	3048	4.2	4.3	4266.7
Sep....	1499.4	1490.5	2445	3439	4.3	4.6	4291.7
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

	Auto Registration		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.	Actual	Seas. Adj.
1983						
Jan....	10587	11638	40.7	40.4	109.7	105.5
Feb....	8087	11104	39.4	39.5	106.0	102.5
Mar....	7901	6467	40.9	40.8	110.5	105.8
Apr....	8714	9725	41.1	41.3	111.5	108.1
May....	9939	9961	41.1	41.2	111.6	108.7
Jun....	12691	11462	41.2	41.3	111.6	107.9
Jul....	7120	8501	41.3	41.6	95.5	107.8
Aug....	11897	10120	41.5	41.8	98.4	111.9
Sep....	12105	12872	41.8	42.0	116.0	114.4
Oct....	10202	10037	42.0	42.1	117.4	115.1
Nov....	13470	11068	42.3	42.0	120.7	116.4
Dec....	9394	9374	42.5	41.9	110.5	116.6
1984						
Jan....	8799	9659	42.2	41.9	121.5	116.9
Feb....	12198	16596	42.5	42.6	123.7	119.9
Mar....	11295	9654	42.4	42.3	124.4	119.6
Apr....	10362	11226	42.9	43.1	126.6	122.7
May....	14081	14039	42.4	42.5	126.0	122.0
Jun....	15288	14275	42.4	42.5	126.9	123.0
Jul....	12301	13698	42.3	42.6	109.0	124.3
Aug....	17301	15420	41.8	42.1	107.5	121.6
Sep....	14021	14560	42.5	42.7	127.3	124.3
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid (000)	Employer Contributions Collected (000)
1970	43,905	$ 130,251	$ 65,641
1971	69,403	229,238	63,191
1972	51,737	161,851	92,681
1973	36,314	117,610	114,163
1974	49,255	163,258	124,859
1975	83,971	298,345	140,940
1976	67,864	238,013	164,922
1977	53,699	193,150	177,719
1978	37,220	138,351	189,892
1979	30,876	114,926	181,376
1980	37,463	163,644	174,402
1981	36,507	173,725	167,840
1982	47,952	262,962	183,732
1983	40,251	232,255	201,578
Jan'83	65,979	$ 30,736	$ 5,863
Feb	57,275	25,707	11,859
Mar	53,644	30,066	575
Apr	47,737	20,864	24,085
May	40,189	19,735	75,980
Jun	36,313	19,074	725
Jul	38,690	16,321	13,696
Aug	35,187	16,640	38,773
Sep	30,131	14,806	746
Oct	26,602	12,289	8,670
Nov	26,010	13,048	19,982
Dec	27,102	12,970	624
Jan'84	38,570	18,793	7,372
Feb	35,104	18,279	13,302
Mar	32,625	17,345	636
Apr	27,760	14,132	25,197
May	23,249	12,743	98,801
Jun	21,725	10,175	1,217
Jul	24,122	11,761	20,710
Aug	23,792	11,118	37,928
Sep	18,999	8,700e	1,170p
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

Federal Loans (000)	
1972	$ 31,800
1973	21,700
1974	8,500
1975	203,000
1976	137,000
1977	75,000
1978	37,000
1983	63,806*

Direct Loan Repayments (000)	
1976	$ 26,000
1977	27,300
1978	37,300
1979	39,600
1984	30,876

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction (000)	
1975	$ 12,906r
1981	46,537r
1982	49,496r
1983	53,975r
1984	52,167 (thru 8/31)

Total Outstanding Loans - (8/31/84)

Non-interest bearing:
$ 164,302,355

Interest bearing:
$ 32,930,407

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (9/30/84)

$ 109.5 million p

*Interest bearing
p-preliminary e-estimated r-revised
NOTE: Dollar amounts are in thousands